



# **NEWS**

### **CHAIRMAN'S LETTER**

ello everyone,

Hope all is well with everyone out there in COVID land. I can't help but feel pessimistic about everything.....governments, institutions, (especially) media, people. But I really prefer to be optimistic and would like to think that y'all are out riding despite the social controls in response to COVID!

I personally am not riding, not because of COVID, but because of the lingering problems with my left foot.

July marked our return to SoCal activity with our first Destination Get-Together with a lunch meeting at the Margarita Villa in Ventura. On August 7<sup>th</sup> a group of riders will be meeting at Zingo's in Bakersfield to ride the 5-Passes throughout the Sierras.

It is pleasing to report that, although I am still not riding due to the leg/ankle injury, that I attended the July Get-Together. I did have plans to be at Zingo's for the start of the 5-Passes ride and see everyone off. Unfortunately, due to personal business commitments in AZI won't be able to make it.

This is the beginning of our effort to resume riding events in SoCal.

The other exciting personal news is that Miles has elected to sell me his beautifully maintained 2017 Honda VFR1200X DCT. I will be meeting him at Russell Day Long Saddles on the 13<sup>th</sup>

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to take possession of the bike and to get a new saddle made for it.

Yes, I am optimistic that the ankle is going to heal and that I will be riding!!

It is good to be optimistic.

Ride Safe.....Ride Long,

Gonzo







We have published a new blog article on our website: 4 Things You Need to Survive Motorcycle Touring With Covid-19. You can view the link at: <a href="http://exhaustnotes.us/blog/index.php/2020/07/28/4-things-you-need-to-survive-motorcycle-touring-with-covid-19/">http://exhaustnotes.us/blog/index.php/2020/07/28/4-things-you-need-to-survive-motorcycle-touring-with-covid-19/</a>

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# **SOUTHWEST Regional News Section**

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To help our readers track and group the information provided in this newsletter, we have grouped the articles into Regional, National, and International sections. This section contains info on events in SoCal, NorCal, NV, and AZ in the SW Region.

#### **SCMA'S Affiliated Clubs**

Antelope Valley Riders www.avts.av.org

AZRatPack www.azratpack.com

BMW Club of SoCal www.bmwcosc.com

Pasadena Motorcycle Club www.pasadenamc.com

Red Hot Riders of San Diego www.redhotriders.com

Shamrock Road Riders www.sc-ma.com/shamrock.htm









# July Destination Get-Together

#### Article and Photos Submitted By: R. "Gonzo" Gonzalez

The destination was Margarita Villa located at the Marina in Ventura. The starting point of the Get-Together was each individual's home or personal location.

I was not able to ride, so I drove the Expedition the 125 miles north to Ventura. The cracked fibula I suffered from the fall on March 1st was healed, but the ankle was still bothering me. Turns out the ankle actually had a broken bone....lucky me? I've been walking on it, so no wonder it was taking a long time to heal. Anyhow, I'm hoping a month of therapy and home exercises will strengthen it and get me back to riding.

On the way north I stopped at Mike Barber's place to give him and Pat Julien a ride to the Get-Together. Mike's silver Triumph got totaled a week or so ago. He is the most luckiest Un-Lucky rider I know. Two exits from home, on I-405, a pick up truck in front of him struck a lamppost, which came crashing down in Mike's lane and engaged in an altercation with the Triumph's front wheel. The wheel lost. That's the unlucky part. Mike went airborne and crashed down on the freeway. He walked away from it with a strained shoulder, 3" of forearm road rash, riding gear ripped to shreds, and a totaled bike. Unbelievable that he walked away from it. That's what I call being lucky!!

Traffic heading north on US101 was steady, sometimes stop-n-go for construction, and sometimes flying along at 80. It was a nice drive, would been a nicer RIDE!!

We arrived at the Marina at 11:30 and found Mitch Friedman with Jane Usatin pulling into the parking lot.

Mike Williams had parked in a different section but strolled over and joined us. It was good to see Mike, he is recovering well after the head-on collision he had a while back. This was his first ride since then and he found it a challenge to bear the weight of the helmet. But his neck handled it well and he is looking forward to the 5-Passes Ride.





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Margarita Villa was at the roof top level with two outdoor patios separated by a bar, kitchen, and closed dining room. We got the north patio with tables arranged for six. As there were eight of us, we took two tables arranged close to each other within the Gavinor's required social distancing requirements. Four to a table, we enjoyed talking about riding, bikes, and eating a great lunch. Some of us floated between the two table arrangements and cross-socialized.

The waiter took a group photo for us and then we adjourned to the parking lot to socialize some more around the bikes. Jane Usatin, is riding a CanAm Spyder now and she really likes it. Gonzo checked it out 'cause he has a feeling it is in his future riding style. Mitch Friedman has a new Gold Wing and Mike Barber was checking it out along with Mike Williams 2014 Wing. Then David Allen and Dan started giving Mike a big sales pitch about acquiring an RT1200 similar to their Beemers. It was good fun admiring the bikes and discussing their pros and cons.

Here's a rundown of who was at the Get-Together and where they started from: Jane Usatin rode up from Carlsbad and met up with Mitch Friedman from LA. Mike Williams came over from La Crescenta. Dan Burtt traveled north from Mission Viejo, Mike Barber from Hawthorne, Pat Julien from Marina Del Rey, and David Allen came from Ventura – 10 minutes away from his house. Gonzo came up from Lake Forest.

All in all, it was an excellent morale booster to meet up with our riding buds and spend some time breaking bread together.

Hope to see many of you on the 5-Passes event in August.

Ride Safe.....Ride Long,

Gonzo



Mike Barber and Dan Burtt analyzing the pros and cons of Mike Williams' Gold Wing



Checking out the "Frunk" on jane Usatin's CanAm

# **AZRATPack Route 66 Tour**

### Fri Sep 11 to Sun Sep 13

This year's ride on "The Mother Road" will lead us to Laughlin, NV the first night with a lunch stop in Kingman, AZ. We will then head east the next day through Topock, Oatman, Hackberry and stop for lunch at the world famous Snow Cap Drive In known for their Dead Chicken sandwiches. We will stay the night in Williams and continue to Winslow for breakfast at the Turquoise Room at La Posada.

The difficulty level of this ride is EASY. This ride will have a moderate and easy pace with roads not providing much of a challenge with frequent stops throughout. Be prepared for possibly cold temperatures early in the day with warm/hot temperatures later. This will be a great ride for beginner/intermediate riders as well as cruisers and people riding two-up. Roughly 524 miles total from start to end location. Remember to start each day with a full tank of fuel. Gas stops can be up to 150 miles apart (may vary depending on routing).

Due to the current COVID-19 global pandemic, details are subject to change or complete ride cancellation. Take this into account when making reservations. We will be subject to adherence of any local laws, ordinances or rules of any township and establishments that we may frequent. Please do your research BEFORE making plans in case there is something that you don't agree or are uncomfortable with. The AZRATPack Board of Directors will research conditions prior to leaving and will alter plans depending on conditions or cancel event in case we deem things to prevent us from having FUN!

Ride Chair: Victor Castaneda Jr

Start Time: 9:00 AM

Start Location: GO AZ Motorcycles Peoria

End Location: The Turquoise Room, La Posada Hotel, Winslow, AZ

#### **Itinerary**

#### Day 1 (203 miles)

We will meet at GO AZ Motorcycles Peoria at 9:AM for check-in. At approximately 9:20, we will have a mandatory rider's meeting. We will then begin to depart at around 9:30.

After departing the dealership, we will head towards Kingman where we will stop for lunch at:

El Palacio 401 E Andy Devine Ave Kingman, AZ 86401 (928) 718-0018

After lunch, we will then take the short ride to Laughlin where we will stay for the night.

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#### Day 2 (229 miles)

We will depart the Edgewater Hotel & Casino at 7:30 AM for breakfast at:

Topock 66 14999 Historic Route 66 Topock, AZ 86436 (928) 768-2325

After breakfast, we will depart and make a stop for a mid-morning snack, feeding the burros and shopping in historic Oatman. After departing, we will continue on Rt 66 and make stops in Hackberry and Seligman for a quick bite to eat. After lunch, we'll roll through Ash Fork and then in for the night in Williams.

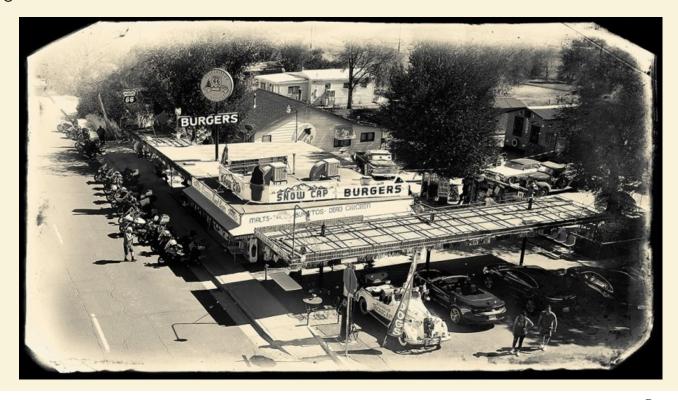
#### Day 3 (92 miles)

We will depart from the Circle K at the center of town at 7:AM for 2nd Sunday Breakfast at:

The Turquoise Room 303 E 2nd St Winslow, AZ 86047 (928)289-2888

This will be the end of the ride and you'll be on your own to return to your final destination for the day.

Please check the event details on the SCMA Facebook page for hotel information and the registration link.









# California Best 15 Roads

SCMA's CA Adventure Series, a long time favorite amongst the Southwest Region riders and our International and National riders pursuing the Triple Crown, has become an even bigger favorite.

Dennis Even, longtime SCMA member, former SCMA Treasurer, former Chair, CA Adventure Series, and recipient of the Legacy Award, has developed the CA Best 15 roads to ride while you're out visiting Parks and Missions. The Board of Directors reviewed and approved the overall concept and approved this third set of books listing the 2020 CA Best 15 Roads.

The concept Dennis and Les Gullery (Shamrock Road Riders) developed consists of 60 fantastic roads in CA broken down to 20 in the North, 20 in the Central, and 20 in the South of California. From that inventory of 60, 15 roads will be selected consisting of 5 each from the North, Central and South areas, to be offered over a four-year period. In years 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021 a different set of 5 will be selected from the inventory so that at the end of a four-year period riders will have ridden all 60 of these fantastic highways.

In addition to expanding the CA Adventure Series, a new award titled the CA Triple Crown will be awarded to riders completing the complete series. This award will be similar to the Triple Crown awarded to finishers of three of premier rides.

Below is the 2020 list of CA Best 15 CA Roads you can ride while visiting various parks and missions within California. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> of 4 sets of 15 CA Best Roads. All roads can be ridden in either direction; be sure to obtain your gas or store receipt and write your mileage for the start and for the finish.

Sign up now to ride these great roads in 2020....combine your ride with the Parks and Missions and earn the beautiful California Triple Crown.

### Northern California

CA-89 McCloud to Greenville

CA-36 Fortuna to Red Bluff

CA-1 Marin City to Leggett

CA-49 Auburn to Loyalton

CA-88 Jackson to Alpine Village



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#### **Central California**

CA-49 Oakhurst to Jamestown

Peach Tree/Indian Valley Rd CA-198 to San Miguel Nacimiento -Fergusson Rd Fort Hunter Liggett to CA-1 Sherman Pass Junction of Mountain Hwy 99 to US-395 CA-155/Granite Rd Bakersfield to Wofford Heights

#### Southern California

Tepusquet Rd/Foxen Cyn Rd Los Olivos to CA-166

NF Route 95 Frazier Park to CA-166 CA 18 Big Bear to CA-210 Lilac Rd Bonsall to Escondido

**S2 Great Southern Overland Stage Route** Ocotillo to CA-79



the ultimate stretch strap



# California Triple Crown

We have a new challenge for SCMA members. This is a challenge that is completely doable, within reach of everyone, especially members in the southwest region or with a few states close to California.

With the introduction of the California Best 15 Roads, SCMA now has 3 rides with destinations that are often co-located with each other.

The Board of Directors came up with the idea of recognizing those riders who successfully complete the full CA Adventure Series in one calendar year between January 1st and November 30.

We are in the process of designing this award and expect it to be very similar to the SCMA Triple Crown, but it will be slight different.

The **CA Triple Crown** will join the ranks of the other major awards designed to recognize riders that accomplish riding a significant distance in the calendar year.

Those other major awards are the **Triple Crown** award for riding three of the premier events, and the **Premier Grand Slam** for riding all six premier events in a single calendar year.



The California Triple Crown is defined as completing the full California Adventure Series in one calendar year. There is one year of eligibility, defined as the year a rider registers for the event, to complete the series and qualify for the California Triple Crown

Be one of the few of the SCMA riders to receive this CA Triple Crown and sign up now!!

Contact Mike Williams, Chair of CA Adventures and the CA Triple Crown, if you have any questions.

https://sc-ma.com/rides/californiamissions-parent/california-missions-tour/

From Home Page>Rides>CA Adventure Series>select ride>select info page



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Or you can use our home impression kit. Contact our Customer Service Department at ahood@bigearinc.com or 719-271-9081.





#### SIERRA MTS. -5 PASSES RIDE

This will be a three day ride over the weekend of *Friday August 7*, *Saturday August 8* and *Sunday August 9*, *2020*. For those wanting to join a group, there will be a meet-up at Zingo's Café on Buck Owens Blvd in Bakersfield. The meet-up will be at 7:30AM with ROL signing and KSU at 8:00AM. There is **NO** fee for this ride.

Early hotel reservations in Sonora and Bishop are recommended. Riders will be responsible for making their own motel reservations in Sonora and Bishop. A group dinner(s) may be arranged.

#### Day 1:

Depart Zingo's to CA-155 northeast towards Lake Isabella and continue around the lake to intersect with CA-178. Turning left onto CA-178 (east), crossing over Walker Pass, to CA-14 and turn left (north) onto Hwy 395 for the first fuel stop in Lone Pine. From Lone Pine continue about 123 miles north on Hwy-395 to west on Tioga Pass CA-120 for a fuel stop and lunch break at the Mobil Tioga Gas Mart. Continue back onto Hwy-395 north for about 43 miles and turn left (West) to CA-108 for about 80 miles over Sonora Pass into Sonora, CA for an overnight. Total mileage for the day is 425 miles.





#### Day 2:

Depart Sonora at 8:00am fueled up and ready to go. Optional 8:00AM meet-up point in the parking lot of the Inns of California motel on South Washington St. Riders will be on their own for breakfast

Head northwest on CA Hwy-49 for about 43 miles, then turn right (northeast) onto CA-88 at Jackson. Continue on CA-88 for about 81 miles over Carson Pass and then turn left (north) onto CA-89 for about 12 miles over Luther Pass. The route then turns right (east) on CA-50 & Pioneer Blvd for about 5 miles through South Lake Tahoe. Turn right onto NV-207. There is a fuel stop on Kingsbury Grade (NV-207). Then continue (east) on NV207 for about 14 miles. Turn right (south) onto CA-88 for 12 miles, and make a left turn onto CA-89 for about 29 miles over Monitor Pass to Hwy-395. Turn right (south) on Hwy-395 for about 40 miles for fuel stop/lunch in Bridgeport. Continue south on Hwy-395 for 31 miles turning left onto CA-12-Benton Crossings Road for about 45 miles. In Benton turn right on CA-6 for 34 miles to Bishop. Make a left turn on Hwy-395 into Bishop and your respective hotel for the night. Total mileage for the day is 342 miles.







#### Day 3:

Depart Bishop about 8:00AM heading south on 395 for about 221 miles to I-15. There are several 395 south options that riders can choose for their ride home.

Contact: Ride Captain – Dan Burtt. 714-448-2156

Ride Registration: <a href="https://www.SC-MA.com">https://www.SC-MA.com</a> {click on Rides>Sierra Mtns 5-Passes}

URL: https://sc-ma.com/sierra-mts-5-passes-ride/

#### **Event Calendar**

August 7th to 9th - Sierra Passes ride

September Possible Destination ride

Watch for possible destination ride eBlast

AZRATPack Route 66 tour—Sep 11 to 13

Information on each ride will be released on the website and via eBlasts.

Here's what's on the road ahead. For more information, check the SCMA website www.SC-MA.com and the websites of our affiliated clubs. Club websites have more information on their events and are listed elsewhere in this newsletter. ALWAYS consult them for last-minute changes before a ride





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Willing to discuss delivery.....Bike located near Santa Cruz, CA



## **NATIONAL News Section**

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This section contains articles and information about the SCMA National Rides: The USA Four Corners Tour and the Best 15 USA Roads Challenge.

# The Best 15 USA Roads Challenge The Great River Road: Prairie du Chien to La Crosse, Wisconsin

Article and Photos Submitted By: Bob Roger, Chair, Best 15 USA Roads Challenge

started working on my 2020 Best 15 US Roads Challenge list last week with a ride on the Great River Road along the Mississippi River in Wisconsin.

We arrived in Prairie du Chien to begin our river run along the prescribed route. At my first sight of the river I was amazed at the width of the Mighty Mississippi there; only a few of hundred miles downstream from the headwaters at Lake Itaska in north central Minnesota.

We started riding north along the river on WI-35 and enjoyed the river views for miles. We came around a curve about three quarters of the way to La Crosse and encountered that dreaded sign "Construction, Road CLOSED, Follow Detour". We had no choice!





The detour, however, led us through a couple of hilly and twisty roads, mostly through the woods, in beautiful and very rural countryside. That detour actually added to the enjoyment of the ride! We took the long way around but did make to La Crosse for my finishing end gas receipt. The GRR is on the books for a great start on my 2020 Challenge.

could have taken photos at the road closure to complete the ride, but we were

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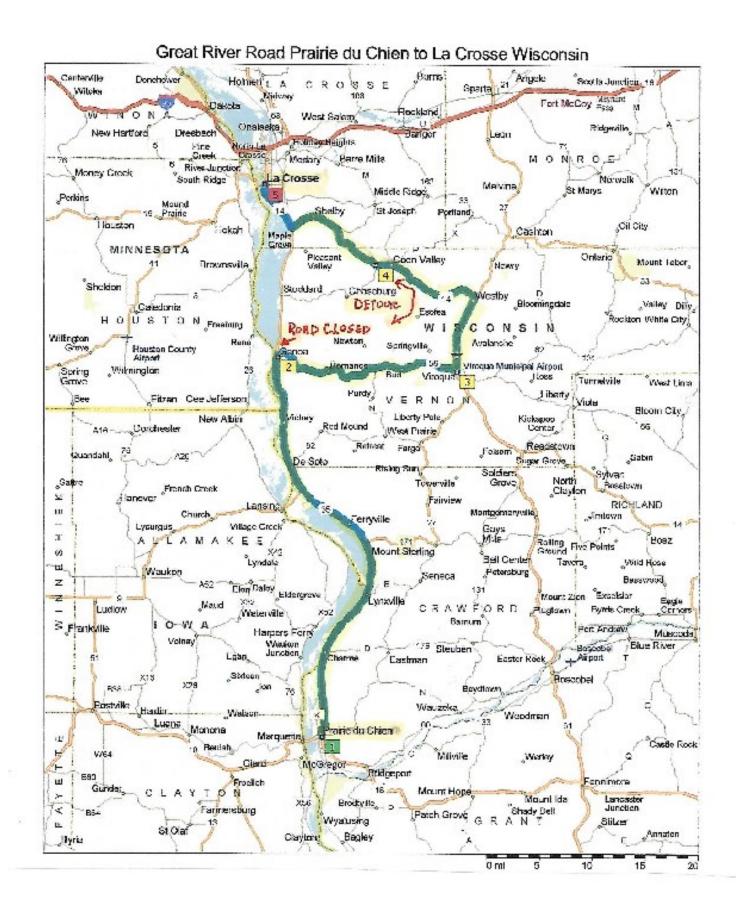
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riding in a beautiful area, so we continued on to La Crosse to the official end point. Scenic detours often happen when one of the Best 15 Roads is cut short by a "Road Closed" surprise. This detour was well worth the effort.







#### Southern California Motorcycling Association Best 15 US Roads Challenge Announcing the 2020 Collection



This difficult Premier Ride Challenge is offered again with some interesting changes for its tenth anniversary in 2020, with eight replacement roads or road groups introduced. The sixteenth road will remain on the list so that a ride registrant may omit any one road from the list, then ride 15 roads to qualify as a finisher. This is a tough ride challenge ... in the first nine years that this Challenge has been offered, there have been 55 finishes which were completed by only 41 riders. Through 2019, just nine SCMA long distance riders have taken the Challenge more than once! Join this very limited group of finishers, or maybe the very exclusive group of repeat finishers and TAKE the 2020 Best 15 US Roads Challenge!

As a registrant, you will have a two year window to complete the challenge one time, though ALL 15 Roads must be ridden in ONE calendar year (January 1 through November 15, and ride logs must be submitted by November 30). If, for any reason, you do not complete all roads the first year, you will have a second chance, BUT you start with a blank slate for that second attempt. Registrants will receive a starter packet containing a Best 15 US Roads Challenge t-shirt and Best 15 pin and patch. Finishers will also receive an engraved Buck 112 Ranger Knife to commemorate their accomplishment!

Get out on these Roads to Experience the spectacular and varied landscapes these roads offer. One recent finisher commented, "I don't know how you pick these Fifteen roads, I think I rode Thirty great roads to get to the Fifteen!"

(330) 857 8131 best15us@sc-ma.com

Best 15 short sleeve t-shirts will soon become available at \$24.00 each.

Order information will be released via eBlast once they arrive.



To view a full descriptive list of the roads, please go to the SCMA website at:

https://sc-ma.com/rides/best-15-parent/best-15-roads-list/

On the Home page, at the black navigation bar, simply place your cursor on Rides > Best 15 US Roads Challenge > Best 15 US Roads List

# Best 15 U.S. Roads List

2020 Best 15 US Roads Challenge List

- 1. ME, Acadia National Park: Park Loop to Cadillac Mt. Summit 22 miles
- 2. VA/NC, Blue Ridge Parkway: Any 150-mile segment
- 3. WI, Great River Road: WI35 btwn LaCrosse and Prairie du Chien 63 miles
- 4. TX Hill Country, Twisted Sisters: SUGGEST Medina RR-337w to Leakey to US-83n TX41w to RR-336s to RR-337w to Camp Wood toTX-55n to RR-335n 155 miles
- 5. UT, Dinosaur Diamond Prehistoric Hwy UT-128: btwn Moab and I-70 43 miles
- 6. WA, Northern Cascades Scenic Byway: WA-20 Between Omak and Concrete 150 miles
- 7. OH, Triple Nickel OH-555: btwn Zanesville and Little Hocking 62 miles
- 8. SD, Iron Mountain Road, Black Hills: US-16A btwn Custer and Keystone 34 miles
- 9. AR, Pig Trail Arkansas AR-23: btwn Ozark and Eureka Springs 80 miles
- 10. CA-1, Pacific Coast Hwy: btwn Monterey and Morro Bay 123 mi
- 11. AZ, Monument Valley US-163: bwtn Kayenta AZ and Bluff Utah 68 miles
- 12. CO, San Juan Skyway CO-145: bwtn Cortez and Placerville 83 mi
- 13. ID, Payette River Run ID-55: btwn Horseshoe Bend and Cascade 51 mi
- 14. WY, Big Horn Loop: Ranchester US-14w to Greybull then US-16s/e to Buffalo in either direction 207 miles
- 15. NM, Geronimo Trail Nat Scenic Byway: Hatch NM-26w to Nutt NM-27n to Hillsboro NM-152w to Mimbres NM-35n to NM-15s to Silver City Ride in either direction 137 miles\*
- 16. MI, Natchez Trace Parkway: btwn Natchez and Clinton (Jackson) 90 mi

\*NOT required, but at the junction of NM-35/NM-15 take NM-15 NORTH for 18 miles to the Gila Cliff Dwelling Nat Monument as a point of interest. Spur adds 36 miles

For further clarification or questions about this event, contact Bob Roger, Chairman, Best 15 US Roads Challenge, at either:

(330) 857-8131 or email to Best15us@sc-ma.com rsroger03@gmail.com

# **INTERNATIONAL News Section**

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This section contains articles and information about the SCMA Three Flags Classic and information of a general nature for all SCMA members throughout the world.





# **SCMA eBlast: Suspension of Premier Events**

Hello Everyone,

On April 10<sup>th</sup>, in response to the nation's Virus lockdown, the board of directors suspended registering and riding premier rides (3FC registration remained open). A month later, May 18<sup>th</sup>, we re-opened registrations and lifted the suspension.

Below is the eBlast announcing the opening of all rides.

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# SCMA eBlast: Lifting Premier Ride Suspension

With many states lifting their social restrictions due to the Virus, the Board of Directors has decided to re-open the Premier Rides subject to the following general conditions and specific conditions.

#### General Conditions:

- 1. Riders currently registered for a Premier Ride event are subject to that event's Specific Conditions listed below.
- 2. As is always the case, it is the rider's responsibility to exercise due diligence in researching their routes and determining each state's current "Virus" rules/requirements and how their ride may be affected.
- 3. SCMA is not a source for information regarding individual state's lockdown rules/ requirements currently in effect.
- 4. SCMA can offer no information in regards to masking, social distancing, and/or restaurant/hotel/fuel/dealer availability or support.
- 5. **Alert:** Riders intending to earn a **Triple Crown** or **Premier Grand Slam** must complete all portions of the rides in that single calendar year of qualifying. No carry forwards will be accepted to qualify for the Crown or Slam awards. The intention of the Board of Directors is to maintain the integrity and standards for these major awards.

#### Specific Conditions:

- 6. USA Four Corners:
  - a. Effective 18 May 2020, riding USA4C is open.
  - b. Normally, riders have a two-year window to complete the event. In view of the Corona Virus impact, those who were registered for the event will have the option of not riding this year and having 2021 and 2022 to complete the event.
  - c. Those registering for the event subsequent to 18 May 2020 will only have 2020 and 2021 to complete the event.
  - d. Website registrations for this event will be opened on 15 May.
- 7. Best 15 USA Roads Challenge:
  - a. Effective 18 May 2020, riding Best15USA is open.
  - b. Riders that completed portions of the Best15USA will be given credit for those completed roads.
  - c. All riders will have the option of either completing the list of Roads in a single calendar year (2020 or 2021) or partially completing a portion of the list in 2020 and carrying them forward to 2021 and complete the remaining unfinished 15 roads to qualify as a finisher in 2021.
  - d. There will be no additional extensions beyond 2021
  - e. Alert: Riders using this event to qualify for a Triple Crown or Grand Slam Award

- (s) must complete all roads in the calendar year to qualify for the award.
- f. Website registrations for this event will be opened on 18 May.
- 8. California Adventure Tours
  - a. Effective 18 May 2020, riding CA Adventures is open.
  - b. Riders can resume completing their CA Adventures after the suspension is lifted.
  - c. Those riders who do not complete their respective tours in 2020 will be given a one -year extension. However, no credit will be given for destinations completed in 2020. Riders will have to complete the full event in 2021 if riders option to extend one year. This was decided upon in view of the fact that all these rides take place in California and are much easier to complete vs the B15USA or USA4C.
  - d. A National Park stamp for each respective park is OPTIONAL during the 2020-riding season. All other requirements for the California Adventure rides remain in effect.
  - e. Website registrations for this event will be opened on 18 May.
- 9. Three Flags Classic—event cancelled after eBlast was sent.

Please use your best judgment in making your riding decisions.

We look forward to seeing you complete your events and enjoying a summer of good riding.

Ride Safe.....Ride Long

Gonzo
Chairman, SCMA
(On behalf of the Board of Directors)







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### SCMA's Premier Events

#### Three Flags Classic (an AMA "Extreme Grand Tour")

The planning for the 2019, 44th Annual Three Flags Classic is gaining momentum. The ride will start in San Luis Rio Colorado (SLRC), Sonora Mexico, and head north for a finish in Vernon, BC Canada. The ride will be 4 days in duration. A lot of exciting things are happening and it's shaping up to be a continuation of our return to our Three Flags roots of riding through three countries!!!

https://sc-ma.com/rides/3-flag-parent/three-flags-classic/

#### USA Four Corners Tour/USA Four Corners True X Tour (an AMA "Extreme Grand Tour")

Imagine the adventure and satisfaction of visiting San Ysidro, CA; Blaine, WA; Madawaska, ME; and Key West, FL in 21 days or less. The USA Four Corners Tour is a self-guided tour visiting these four locations in any order you select and at any time of the year. Add Lebanon, KS between each corner and do it in 26 days or less and you have a "True X". Starters shall receive a numbered towel, pin, hat and t-shirt. Certified finishers receive a plaque, patch and finisher's decal. Visit our website for complete information and online registration for this World Class event. More people have topped Mt. Everest than have completed this challenging long distance pinnacle. Dannie Fox is chairing this event. Dannie Fox is chairing this event in 2019. <a href="https://sc-ma.com/rides/usa-four-corners-tour-site/usa-four-corners-tour-ride-summary/">https://sc-ma.com/rides/usa-four-corners-tour-site/usa-four-corners-tour-ride-summary/</a>

#### SCMA Best 15 US Roads Challenge

During 2019, travel our annual list of Best 15 US Roads. Rules, application information and details can be found on our website. https://sc-ma.com/rides/best-15-parent/best-15-us-roads-challenge/

Bob Roger is chairing this event in 2019 and can be contacted at rsroger03@gmail.com

**California Adventure Series:** The California Adventure Series includes three different rides: The CA Parks Adventure (CPA), the CA Mission Tour (CMT), and CA Best 15 Roads (CB15). Completing one or the other helps to qualify for the Triple Crown award. Mike Williams is chairing these events in 2019.

**CPA:** During any single calendar year, in any order and at any pace, visit 24 of the 25 National Parks and Monuments in California as outlined in the rules: <a href="http://sc-ma.com/rides/california-parks-adventure">http://sc-ma.com/rides/california-parks-adventure</a>.

**CMT:** During any single calendar year, in any order, and at any pace, visit all of the 21 California Missions. It works just like the CPA listed above <a href="https://sc-ma.com/rides/california-missions-parent/california-missions-tour/">https://sc-ma.com/rides/california-missions-parent/california-missions-tour/</a>

**CB15:** Ride the CA Best 15 Roads; 5 each located in northern, central and southern CA. Rules for this event can be found online at:

https://sc-ma.com/ca-best-15-parent/ca-best-15-roads-challenge/ca-best-15-roads-rules/

#### **SCMA's California Triple Crown**

Awarded to riders who successfully finish all three CA Adventure Series events in a single calendar year. Mike Williams will be chairing the selection committee in 2019

#### The SCMA Premier Triple Crown Award

Imagine completing a three-pack of any combination of USA Four Corners, Best 15 USA Roads, Three Flags Classic, and one of the three CA Adventure Series rides in a single calendar year (15Jan to 30Nov of the same year). It is a rare achievement--completed by only 10-15 riders per year. SCMA honors this significant accomplishment with a limited-edition plaque that tags you as a very unique long-distance rider: A Triple Crown Winner. Gonzo will be chairing the selection committee in 2019.

#### The SCMA Premier Grand Slam Award\*

Complete all six (6) Premier Events: the USA Four Corners Tour, the Three Flags Classic, The Best 15 US Roads Challenge, and all three of the California Parks Adventure Series (Parks, Missions, CA Best 15) in a single calendar year. Gonzo will be chairing the selection committee in 2019.

## ARE YOU A MIA LIFE MEMBER ??

Back in the day (I have no idea when that day was), life memberships were being given to members with 20 or more years of continuous membership. Sometime around 2012 the board ended the practice – no new life memberships were granted. However, those with the Life membership were grandfathered as such.

Currently, we have close to 50 lifetime members with invalid email addresses and no phone number. We have no way of contacting them and finding out if they are alive and well.

We are trying to update our database and would like to hear from them. If your name is NOT on the below list, that means we know that you are indeed alive and well and probably a grouchy pest to your neighbors.

If you see your name on the below list, that means we do **NOT** know if you are still a pest to your neighbors or not. So, if your name is on the list OR if you know one of these riders, please inform the Membership Director:

Jim Filley Membership Director, Jamesf4@gmail.com

First	Last	First	Last	First	Last
Gary	Arkebauer	Harry	Fisher	Jack	Mccormack
Frank	Aupperlee	Bob	Foreman	Harold	Neumann
William	Barcik	Randy	Fox	Mark	Parrish
Mary	Barcik	Patrick	Gaffney	Don	Perdew
Billy	Barrett	Doug	Galloway	Dean	Porter
John	Belgen	Dick	Grant	Hug	Porter
Dale	Brassfield	William	Juchem	Clyde	Reynolds
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Don	Clark	Alvin	Kuznitsky	Robert	Smith
Tommy	Clifton	Floyd	Maples	Terry	Smith
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