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CHAIRMAN'S LETTER

Hello Everyone,

Well, I finally got to ride my newly acquired 2017 Honda VFR1200XT-DCT !! It was very interesting changing my clutch grabbing habit to a no-clutch "air-grab". I had acquired this bike back in August from Miles, but was unable (or unwilling) to ride as I was recovering from the leg and ankle fractures.

Last Saturday I got a bug up my tail and declared it was time. So I filled the tires with air, checked the gas level, and rolled out of the garage. WOW!! I amazed myself at how quickly the riding habits returned.....including grabbing for a clutch where there isn't one.

Unfortunately, I will be once again briefly sidelined pending recovery from eye surgery.....1st one eye tomorrow, and then the other in the last week of May.

The Canadian border is still closed, so the 3FC Committee is still waiting for the all-clear signal to get into high-gear and order all the swag. Meanwhile, all is in place if the border opens and Steve Shulman is ready to run the 45th 3FC.

Lebanon KS is looming as the big destination ride for SCMA on **September 11, 2021**. Lebanon, Center of

Upcoming Events

Watch for possible destination ride eBlast	May
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the Contiguous 48 States, will be having its famous **LEBANON BASH !!** I plan on joining their celebration and hope to see many of you there. Please plan on putting this event on your calendar and join up with us in riding in their parade down Main Street.

Officer elections are due by June 26th. We realize that many of our elections are uncontested but we ask that you please submit a ballot regardless.

If you are a 3FC rider be sure to check out the article by Brian Hooker in regards to obtaining health insurance for riding in countries other than your own. This is very critical if you find yourself in a situation of requiring medical attention while in a foreign country.

We're hoping that Canada will soon open its borders to Americans as many of us want to ride in that country.....and many Canadians would like to ride in the USA without having to be quarantined upon their return home!

Ride Safe.....Ride Long,
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SOUTHWEST Regional News Section

(Pages 3 – 14)

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.

Membership Report/News

By James Filley #46151

Not much to report from the membership side of things. Membership packages continue to be compiled and sent out to both our members in the U.S. and Canada. I anticipate sending out well over 100 membership packages in the next several weeks.

When individuals are registering as either new or re-registering as a renewal please ensure you use the email address of the member who is paying the membership fee. At times, friends or significant others sign up for the member and that creates an issue when I try to determine who the new member is.

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Website Redesign Committee

Do you have experience in website design??

If you do, would you be interested in teaming with others on the committee to help **design** a top performing website for SCMA?

About 10 or so years ago, Blake Anderson moved SCMA into the digital world. Slowly, our website has been evolving and in 2016 SCMA engaged a professional programmer to work on improving the site. But not much has been changed or upgraded on the site in the last few years. Yet, in the same last few years, significant technological advances have occurred in the digital world.

As the board looked at the website we could see that it is outdated. It is very static whereas the internet world around us is very dynamic. New and improved website platforms have been developed and have entered the market. SCMA should take advantage of these advances.

It is time for SCMA to upgrade its website and position it to easily evolve with the future. It is time to make the website more appealing to current and future riders.

With these thoughts in mind, a Website committee has been established and is currently staffed by Jack Knorst (IT Guy-Tucson AZ), Rodney Chew (SCMA Vice Chairman-Scottsdale AZ), and Mark Burdick (Risk Manager-Houston TX).

Their challenge is to re-design the website incorporating the latest techniques of style, brand enhancement, navigation simplicity or intuitiveness, eye-catching visuals, product promotion, database management, mobile application, SEO, and more.

To date, Jack has been in contact with a few commercial designers, Rodney is interacting with a designer, and Mark is going to lend his extensive expertise of working in big business website management. We hope to roll out a new and improved website during 2021.

So, if your are interested in working with the committee in identifying what our requirements need to be we would be glad to have you on the team.

Please contact Jack, Rodney, Mark, or me if you are interested in contributing to this effort.

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Hot Shoe Motorcycling Hall of Fame

Las Vegas, NV 5/1/2021

Long time SCMA member Mitch Friedman, the man behind starting the Southern California Parks Adventure at SCMA, was inducted into the Hot Shoe Motorcycling Hall of Fame in Las Vegas May 1, 2021. Gene Woods, who raced Speedway motorcycles, was the man behind this venue giving credit to people in the motorcycling industry for their hard work. All of the plaques are up on the walls at Gene Woods Racing Experience on Fremont Street in Vegas.

Mitch was inducted for his 36-year's of photography work shooting photos at all types of motorcycle events for magazines around the world. Mitch started taking photos at the AMA Flat Track races at ASCOT, he then tackled the Motocross and Supercross events as well as the local CMC races at ASCOT, Saddleback Park and Carlsbad Raceway. Mitch was the track photographer at Ventura Speedway for the speedway races. Magazines began using Mitch's photos and within a short time he began traveling the world taking photos at the Motocross Grand Prix. Not bad of an accomplishment considering that Mitch's real job is being a driver in the Motion Picture Industry for as long as he has been a photographer.

Mitch said, "It was an honor to be inducted to the HOT SHOE Hall of Fame." He never

thought about being in a hall of fame and was surprised when was told he was an inductee. Mitch said it was wonderful to see all the people he has known for years, motorcycle icons-racers-photographers-team owners-and Miss Camels, being inducted alongside him. Mitch was very proud having a hand in getting three of the Miss Camel women inducted for the work they did at the Camel Pro Series Flat Track races as well as the Camel Supercross events.

Congratulations Mitch, and thank you for all that your have done for the motorcycling community!!





Mitch with Paige Thomas, a former Miss Camel of the Reynolds Tobacco Co.

Mitch with MotoCross Icons John DeSoto (HI National Champion) and Brad Lackey (1st USA Motocross World Champion)





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www.pasadenamc.com

Red Hot Riders of San Diego
www.redhotriders.com

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

A banner for GO AZ Motorcycles. The banner features logos for various motorcycle brands: Aprilia, BMW, Ducati, KTM, Triumph, Honda, Ural, Vespa, and Kawasaki. The central text reads "GO AZ Motorcycles" with a stylized sunburst logo above the "AZ". Below the banner, the address and contact information are listed: "GO AZ MOTORCYCLES | 15500 N. HAYDEN RD | SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85260 | (480) 609-1800 | GOAZMOTORCYCLES.COM".

A photograph of several BMW motorcycles on a dirt road in a hilly, arid landscape. The motorcycles are kicking up dust. In the top right corner, there is a small BMW logo with the text 'BMW Motorrad' below it. At the bottom of the image, there is white text: 'All New 2019 BMW F 850 GS and 2019 F 750 GS Are Here!' and 'Irv Seaver Motorcycles Orange County, CA IrvSeaver BMW.com'.

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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 the four groups of roads. The fourth and final set of books listing Series D, the 2021 CA Best 15 Roads, will soon be available.

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.

A new award titled the CA Triple Crown will be awarded to riders completing all three Adventure Series (Missions, Parks, Best CA15). This award will be similar to the Triple Crown awarded to finishers of three of premier rides.

Below is the 2021 (Series D) list of CA Best 15 CA Roads you can ride while visiting various parks and missions within California: This is the 4th 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 Series D roads in 2021combine your ride with the Parks and Missions and earn the beautiful California Triple Crown.

Northern California (2021 Series D)

- CA-96** Willow Creek to I-5
- CA-44** Redding to CA-36
- CA-29/175** Hopeland to Calistoga
- CA-20** Marysville to I-80
- Mormon Immigrant Trail** Pollock Pines to CA-88

Central California (2021 Series D)

- CA-180** "General's Hwy" CA-198 to Kanawyers
- CA-190** Olancha to CA-127
- CA-1** "Cabrillo Hwy" Carmel to San Luis Obispo
- G-14** King City to Paso Robles
- CA-58** McKittrick to Santa Margarita

Southern California (2021 Series D)

- CA-154** "San Marcos Pass" Santa Barbara to US-101



CA-150 "Casitas Pass" Santa Paula to US-101
Amboy/Kelbaker Rd 29 Palms to Baker
CA/79 Temecula to Santa Ysabel
S22 Montezuma=Borrego Salton Seaway Hwy 2 to CA-86

The CA Triple Crown Award.
2018 was the inaugural year for this Award!
Ride all three of the CA Adventures Series and you will receive this plaque in addition to the individual plaques displayed below.



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California Triple Crown

We have a new challenge for SCMA members.

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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 30th.

The award very similar to the SCMA Triple Crown and is a beautiful plaque to display in your home.

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/california-missions-parent/california-missions-tour/>

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



Event Calendar

May

No Events Scheduled
Watch for possible destination ride eBlast

June

No Events Scheduled
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July

No Events Scheduled
Watch for possible destination ride eBlast

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.



National News Section

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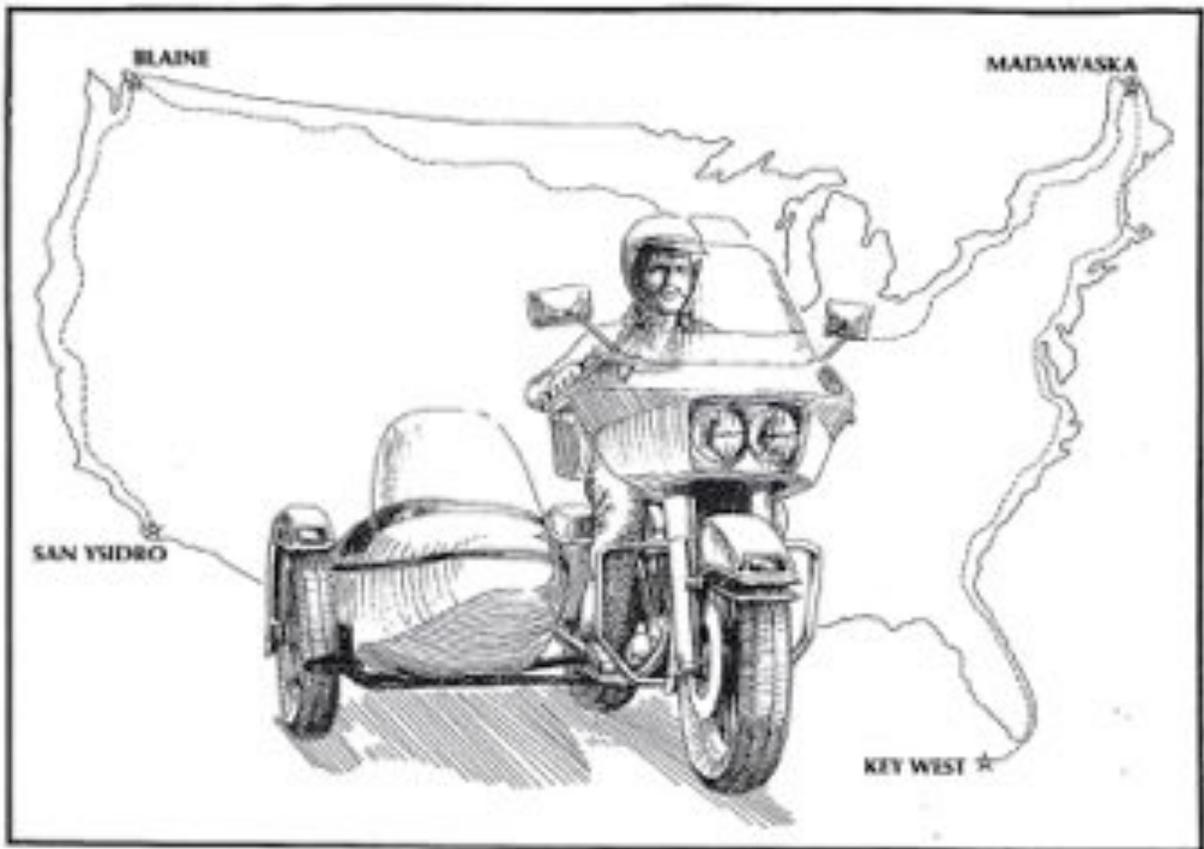
This section has articles about the SCMA National Rides: The USA Four Corners Tour and the Best 15 USA Roads Challenge.

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The Four Corners Tour

Traveling the country by sidecar

By Jack M. Sands

For quite some time, I've been fascinated by stories and photographs of pioneer motorcyclists piloting sidecar rigs over long distances. These days, a sidecar-equipped motorcycle is considered unique and a bit old-fashioned. As a result, it's bound to bring smiles and stares from the uninitiated wherever you ride one.

I added a factory sidecar to my 1984 Harley-Davidson FLT for winter riding stability. In the spring of 1985, I decided to leave it attached to do a little old-fashioned motorcycle touring. While considering various destinations, I learned about the USA Four Corners Motorcycle Tour sponsored by the Southern California Motorcycling Association. This tour requires participants to start from one of the four corners of the continental United States and ride approximately 7,500 miles to the other three within a period of 21 consecutive days. Then, of course, you have to travel back home when the tour is complete.

When I found that mine was to be the

first sidecar outfit entered in this particular tour, there was added incentive to successfully complete it. I soon realized that the primary requirement for any such personal endurance run is a strong determination that gradually becomes an obsession. This must be what makes other motorcyclists ride 1,000 miles in 24 hours or challenge themselves in long-distance off-road competition.

Planning a long sidecar trip involves some additional considerations above and beyond those necessary for two-wheeling. Rear tires wear out sooner and replacements have to be scheduled. Speed and wind have a more pronounced effect on gas mileage, which is already considerably lower than for a solo machine. (Mileage on this trip ranged from 22 to 40 mpg and averaged about 33 mpg.) This means more frequent gas stops and may require carrying a can of fuel in the sidecar for those long stretches of unfamiliar highway, especially at night.

The added stress that a sidecar puts on a motorcycle is bound to increase the chance of a breakdown on the road. As with any motorcycle, oil and filter changes and other routine service stops have to be scheduled. My local dealership, Harley-Davidson of Washington, D.C., graciously agreed to sponsor my trip and cover the cost of service and parts for the 11,500-mile adventure through 28 states and four Canadian provinces. With that, I was now prepped and ready for the road.

My wife lacked my enthusiasm for the trip, so she decided to stay home. As a result, the sidecar became a large luggage compartment. I was able to carry a three-week supply of clothing, which eliminated the need to schedule stops at laundromats during the tour.

At the completion of the tour, I wanted to visit friends and rest in Southern California, and that decision determined where I would start my journey. I would first ride 1,250 miles from my home in Maryland to Key West, Florida,

for my initial checkpoint. Then I would ride back up the East Coast to Madawaska, Maine, the second corner. From there I would travel west to Blaine, Washington, and finally south to finish the tour at San Ysidro, California, on the Mexican border.

I was able to complete the 7,500-mile tour in 17½ days, 3½ days ahead of the deadline. Others have completed it in less time, but it's not a race and there isn't any additional credit for finishing early. An early finish simply means that you allowed more than sufficient time for unexpected delays en route.

The most demanding part of the trip was getting acclimated to the frequent changes in weather conditions. In Key West, I suffered from intense heat. A few days later, emerging from a motel in Maine at 4:30 a.m., I found the motorcycle covered with a heavy frost. Later, when riding into Redding, California, I realized Key West hadn't been so hot after all. It was over 100 degrees when I pulled into town!

It rained on 10 of the 29 days (including my ride to Key West and the return home from California) of my trip. At times, my eyes grew tired from peering between raindrops on my faceshield. One day south of Winnipeg, Manitoba, the wind and blowing dust got so strong that I was unable to get above 40 mph with the throttle wide open. Finally,

when I saw tractor trailers pulling off to the side of the road, I decided it was time to find shelter. Upon arriving at a motel, I learned that the wind gusts had reached 75 mph.

At a nearby restaurant, the power went off and a waitress sent her children home, telling them to go to the cellar if it got real bad. That's when I decided to move the Harley into a nearby alley to prevent the paint from being sand-blasted.

No matter how carefully you plan for a trip, it seems you always overlook something. What I overlooked was so basic that I am at a loss to explain it. Perhaps I became too engrossed with the time schedule that I had set for myself. The rear chain on my Harley is enclosed in an oil bath that requires an occasional check to ensure that the oil level is adequate. I failed to check this and as a result, the chain became bone dry.

Late one afternoon, while cruising along Interstate 94, about 25 miles west of Miles City, Montana, the chain broke and I found myself parked on the shoulder of the road, contemplating the situation. The chain had performed its function for 30,000 miles and there hadn't appeared to be any need to carry a spare.

Feeling dejected, I tried to maintain a degree of dignity as I climbed over a

barbed wire fence and stumbled into someone's back yard. Soon, I located a fellow who was willing to drive me to Miles City where a big sign proclaimed that it is the "Friendliest Town in the West." I searched for a rental truck or trailer large enough to carry the rig. A sidecar outfit cannot be loaded onto a pickup truck or a standard motorcycle trailer, since it's too wide for either. When you need one, flatbed trucks and trailers seem to be as rare as sidecars.

You have to be a true believer in the Harley mystique to really appreciate what happened next. I was taken to Barney's, a bar in Miles City. As soon as I walked into the place, I knew that I was with "family." Proudly displayed on center stage was the bar owner's beautiful, custom Harley-Davidson motorcycle. I explained my predicament to the owner, bartender and patrons. What followed was an almost unbelievable bustle of activity that produced a flatbed trailer, a pickup truck, tie downs, a hand-operated winch and a muscular Harley mechanic.

Since a motorcycle chain was not readily available, one Harley rider went to a local tractor dealer and acquired a chain that would fit. Soon, I was on the road again and it was 1,500 miles before I decided to have the farm implement chain replaced with a proper high-

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Three wheels, wild country and miles to go before I sleep.

Photo by Jack M. Street

speed motorcycle chain.

Before arriving home, I was able to repay the debt of gratitude by helping others with disabled motorcycles along the interstate highway system—a Yamaha, a Kawasaki and a Triumph. Finally, there was an incident in which I could only render aid and comfort to the people involved. While waiting to pull out of a parking lot, I observed a trike collide broadside with a car that

had turned left in its path. A scene that I'll never forget was that of the three trike passengers flying through the air and landing on the pavement not more than 25 feet in front of me. I administered first aid and helped comfort them until an ambulance arrived. Fortunately, it appeared that their injuries were limited to broken bones, lacerations and bruises. As they lay on the road, they were already talking about build-

ing a new trike to replace the damaged one.

I've often wondered what it is that keeps a motorcyclist going on an endurance run. I learned from this trip that even with an obsession to finish, there are times when you get downright discouraged and wonder if it is worth the effort. I found that seemingly insignificant things tend to prod you onward. One day while riding in the rain in Washington state, I was in a glum mood. Feeling sorry for myself as I wiped the raindrops from my faceshield, I came up behind a slow-moving recreational vehicle chugging up a mountain pass. Displayed in the rear window was a hand-drawn sign proclaiming, "Tons of Buns—Fat Ladies' Express." This caused me to forget my discomfort and laugh until the rain stopped.

The afternoon ride from Redding to Stockton, California, in 105-degree temperatures, totally drained me of energy and my will to continue. Psychologically, I was at my lowest point of the tour and I wondered how I was going to be able to ride the final 500 miles. As I dragged my weary body out of an air-conditioned restaurant and struggled to climb aboard the motorcycle, an attractive young woman walked across the parking lot. She looked at the candy red Harley, flashed a smile and said, "I love your motorcycle!"

Sucking in my stomach, throwing out

my chest and smiling back, I managed to clear my throat and reply, "Thank you, dear." Thus rejuvenated, I roared off down the highway, suddenly forgetting why I had been feeling so miserable.

When I finally rolled up the driveway of my friend's house in Southern California, I was greeted by a homemade sign reading, "Harley From Maryland Welcome." It was finally over. I had made it.

I learned a variety of lessons on this trip. First, I found that a modern touring motorcycle with sidecar attached can be ridden as fast as most people want to travel. It will certainly keep up with other traffic on the expressways, even in Quebec where the French Canadians know what good roads were built for. Climbing many of the mountains encountered, I was able to remain in fifth gear. Others required some downshifting. The interstate highway system really doesn't pose much of a challenge for a sidecar pilot.

In New England, I diverted to U.S. Route 2, a scenic, winding road through Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine. I found this to be the most challenging sidecar road of the trip, with lots of opportunities for hard steering, leaning (yes, you can lean a sidecar outfit) and shifting through the gears. Sidecaring on Route 2 will make you sleep well at night.

I also discovered that sidecarists are

often ripped off by bureaucratic toll road regulations. As a means of accountability, many toll facilities charge for the number of axles that cross a sensor at toll booths. On the Florida Turnpike, my 1,000-pound sidecar outfit was charged the same fee as a three-axled truck. The New Jersey Turnpike Authority will

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refund the overcharge if you write a letter and submit a receipt. However, it's hardly worth the effort involved.

Mostly, however, I learned just how much fun is out there waiting for you if you just climb on your motorcycle and travel to places you've probably never heard of—like Frog Level, Virginia, Parachute, Colorado, and Pot Hole State Park, Washington. While you may be shocked at the price of gas in parts of northern California, you'll find a restaurant in Grand Forks, North Dakota, that has 10-cent coffee with free refills, a motel in Sutherlin, Oregon, where you

can rent a nice room for \$17.50, and a great buffet in Mesquite, Nevada, for less than \$6.

If you want to get away from people, you might try Kit Carson County, Colorado, where the cattle population outnumbered the 7,600 humans 15 to 1. If you think the national educational system has gone to hell, circle Jacksonville, Florida, on I-295 and watch for the big sign on the ball field that proudly proclaims, "World's Most Courteous Students." If you believe that Americans are no longer capable of building anything worthwhile themselves, ride along I-70 between Grand Junction and Denver, Colorado, and witness the extraordinary project that is under way to expand the highway system through the mountains. Or stop at Starklite Cycle in Fullerton, California, and see craftsmen restoring classic Indian motorcycles to better than new condition. And of course, if your trip takes you near Westerville, Ohio, stop at your AMA headquarters and say hello. You'll be glad you did.

During one of my telephone calls home, a family member asked if I was having fun on this marathon trip I had undertaken. I didn't quite know how to answer the question. Fun is for children and I didn't sign up for this tour to have fun. It was to be a challenge, an adventure and a rewarding experience.

It was all of that.

JW

Editor's Note: Two-and-a-half years ago, Jack Sands of Waldorf MD, sent me this story. He had reproduced the story as it appeared in the August 1986 American Motorcyclist Magazine. Included in the package was a shortened recollection of the ride that was printed in the 2nd Marine Division Association newsletter Mar-Apr 1986, photos of his restored military Indian motorcycle, a sea-story of losing a .30 cal machine gun over the side of the USS Mellette (APA-156), and the pamphlet "The Motorcycle Marines, An Illustrated History" that he wrote and published.

His package was mistakenly collected with 3FC18 artifacts and readied for storage. Upon my move from AZ It was re-discovered while sorting boxed contents after arriving in CA.

Photos of the restored Indian are on the next page.

Following the photos is his story from the 2ndMarDiv Newsletter. I related much with Jack and his stories: I enlisted in 1962, attained the rank of SSgt, steamed on 3 APA's in the Caribbean, Atlantic, and Mediterranean Seas, and also served in C Co, 1st Battalion, 2nd Marines as did Jack. I also stopped at Yemasee SC when I did my first four corners tour; all accomplished before I met Jack.

Jack, please accept my sincerest apology for taking so long to publish your stories.

Semper Fi
Gonzo



A Four Corners Tourist's Saga

by Jack M. Sands, Waldorf, Maryland

reprinted from Follow Me - 2nd Marine Div. Assn. Newsletter MAR - APR 1986

Every once in a while, those of us who are middle-aged and somewhat out of shape, seek out an opportunity to prove our manhood. It's the only "logical" reason that I would climb aboard my 1984 Harley-Davidson motorcycle/sidecar outfit and embark upon an 11,568-mile journey that would take me through 28 states and four Canadian provinces. In the spring of 1985, I signed up for the SCMA's USA 4 Corners Motorcycle Tour which requires that you start at one of the four corners of the United States and proceed to the other three within a period of 21 consecutive days.

In 1984, the first year of the tour, only 28 people had successfully completed this run and no one riding an American-made Harley-Davidson or a sidecar outfit was among them. So even in the 1980s, when it seems that someone else has already accomplished whatever pioneering there is to be done, I had the opportunity to be first at something.

Since I wanted to end the tour in California and visit some buddies, I rode 1,250 miles from my home in Maryland to Key West, Florida, to start the tour. From there I would back track up the east coast and proceed to Madawaska, Maine, then head west to Blaine, Washington, and finally south to San Ysidro, California on the Mexican border. The 7,500 miles from the first corner to the last was covered in 17½ days, well within the prescribed time limit.

Traveling south enroute to Key West, for some reason I detoured over to the little town of Yemassee, S.C. In August 1952 I had spent my first night in the Marine Corps at the reception center there. The train from Albany, N.Y. had stopped there to deliver us northerners into the waiting arms of a very unfriendly sergeant who had a pronounced southern accent. He taught us to swab decks, shine urinals, and make up a bunk with hospital corners. The next morning he marched us over to the only restaurant in town for a contract breakfast. When we turned up our noses at a mush that we found between the bacon and eggs, the sergeant demanded, "Them's grits, you dumb Yankees. Now clean up your plates!" Shortly thereafter we boarded a bus for the nearby Parris Island Recruit Depot.

Today, the restaurant is closed, the barracks have been moved and now houses a furniture store, and the original USMC sign is in the hands of a collector in Tampa. The new Marines no longer stop at Yemassee—only the old ones.

During the remainder of the journey, I didn't think about the nearly 10 years I had served in the Corps. I concentrated on finishing the tour within the time limit. It became an obsession to finish. The 30° cold in northern Maine was uncomfortable. The 105° heat in Redding, California nearly did me in. The frequent rain discouraged me. When wind gusts of 75 mph in Manitoba forced me to stop, I was frustrated.

Finally, heading south on the last leg of the tour, I encountered a cloud of dust at Camp Pendleton. It caused me to first choke, then laugh. There beside the interstate highway

was a column of USMC LVT's churning up the dirt. As I watched them disappear from sight, I wondered if they still leaked water when they were driven off the ramp of an LST—like those we had in the 2nd Marine Division in the early 1950s. I wondered if Marines still got sick from breathing the fumes when the hatch was closed.

Upon reaching San Ysidro, I went to the post office and mailed evidence of reaching my final checkpoint. Now I could relax and take my time visiting friends and riding back home to Maryland. I passed to think about the trip I had made. Of course, I was proud of my accomplishment, but then I wondered how I had been able to do it. I had to admit that I was not in top physical condition. My mind wandered back 33 years to my arrival at Yemassee where I underwent three months of what I thought was living hell. Thus I remembered the names of my drill instructors. SSgt Catherman and Sgt Shore—a couple of real bad dudes, and "The Red Terror," our gunnery sergeant in old Charlie Company at Camp Lejeune.

As I climbed aboard the Harley to leave, I smiled and said half aloud, "Perseverance, that's it. Thanks guys!"



They just smell that way!

2021 SCMA Officer Elections

Nominations for 2021 Officers/Board of Director are now closed.

It is with pleasure that I report that each nominated member has accepted his nomination for a 2-year term.

Although the positions are uncontested, we would be most appreciative of receiving your confirmation votes.

Please take the time to email/snail mail your vote to the

Secretary.

Email: Secretary@sc-ma.com

Subject: 2021 Ballot for Officers

For your vote, type in the name of the nominee:

Chairman: Mark Burdick

Secretary: Charles Lamb

Risk Manager: Mike Burges

Your Name: _____

Member #: _____

Mbrship Expiration Date: _____

Signature _____

USPS Mail: If submitting your ballot by mail (USPS), please use the form located on the next page or visit the website: <https://sc-ma.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/2020-Ballot-v1.pdf>

Simply check the boxes in the form, fill out your membership information, sign, and:

Mail to: Secretary
Southern California Motorcycling Association
PO Box 487
Norwalk, CA 90651

Ballots must be received by 0900, 26 June 2021.

On 30 June the Secretary will count the votes and report the election results to the Board of Directors.

An eBlast will then be released to the membership confirming the results.

Thank you,
Ride Safe.....Ride Long,
Gonzo

2021 Election Ballot

The below Members were nominated for the positions indicated.

Chairman

- Mark Burdick (Currently Risk Manager)
(Resides in TX)

Secretary

- Charles Lamb (Incumbent)
(Resides in VA)

Risk Manager

- Mike Burges
(Resides in CA)

To validate your vote, please complete the following:

Your Name: _____

Address: _____

Mbr #: _____

Mbr Expiration Date: _____

Signature: _____

Ballots must be received not later than 0900 26June2021.

USPS Mail ballot to: Secretary
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**Saturday
September 11, 2021**



Mark Your Calendars – Plan To Attend This Event !!

More information to be forth coming:

Recommended Motels

Recommended Campgrounds

Entertainment/music bands

Food trucks

Car show

Children's Games

Competition Games

Parade Schedule – 2019 had these participants in the Parade: SCMA Riders, Regional EMT Ambulance, Candy Shooter (Fertilizer spreader), Various John Deere vehicles, Farming Tractors, Heavy Farming Truck of some kind, 12-year old driving dad's Tractor, The Big Hooker, 2-year old atop a big horse led by her Mom.

Depart Penticton **Three Flags Classic Finish** on Wednesday 8Sep21 and head to Lebanon KS before heading home. Should we plan for a campout??



4 CPR

Four Corners Prayer Ride

Praying for a nation needing life and positive deeds pumped into it.



Praying for the Heart of America, from the Heart of America

Major Stops

Blaine WA— begin June 27

San Ysidro, CA - June 30

Key West, FL - July 7

Madawaska, ME - July 15

Stopping every 150 miles

Play: "God Bless America"

Read Scripture

Prayer

Sing "Amazing Grace"

1X - Personal Grace

2X - National Grace

3X - Invite them to receive prayer

End In Lebanon, Kansas on July 23,2021

Website: www.prayerattheheart.com all routes can be traced.

Pastor Gary Burd, Amarillo TX, will be riding the USA Four Corners, with a few of his riding buddies.

A website with info for this effort has been initially set up but is not yet completed.

His purpose is to Pray for America in which he and his group of riders will pray at each stop along their route. Along the route they will have a "chase" truck with supplies and will be sleeping in churches. Ultimately, after finishing in Madawaska ME, they will ride to Lebanon KS to pray at the "Heart of America".

He welcomes anyone interested in joining him for the full ride, partial ride or to meet at stops.

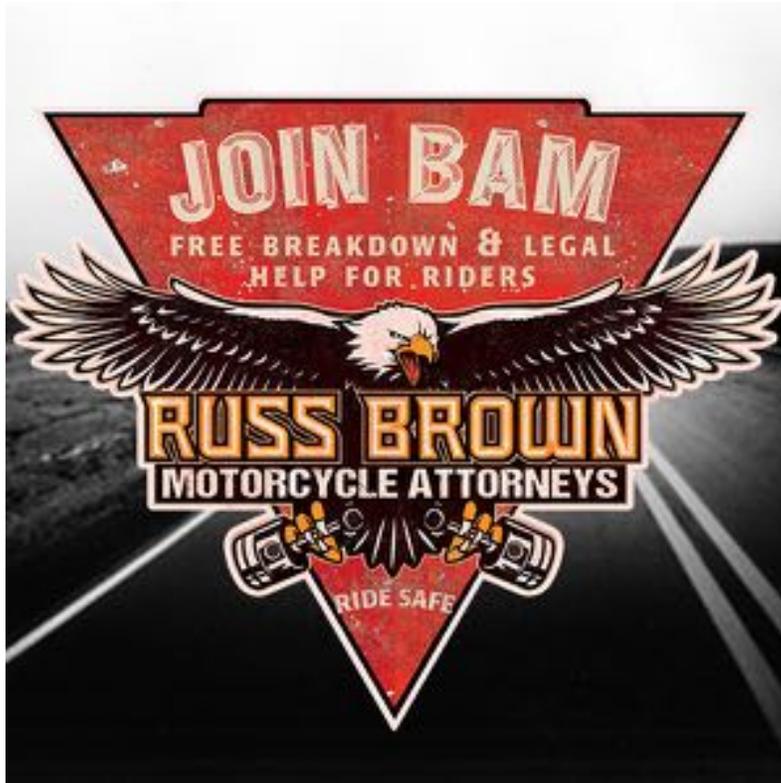
Contact information: Gary Burd 806-670-9669

garyburdM25@gmail.com

Link to video: <https://youtu.be/QqX1Bw0tP2s>

ABOUT BAM

Katherine Markowicz
Marketing & Promotions
Brown, Koro & Romag LLP



BAM: Breakdown and Legal Assistance for Motorcyclists

BAM is a unique volunteer organization of bikers helping bikers. Motorcycle Attorney and long-time SCMA supporter, Russ Brown started BAM over 30 years ago when he experienced a breakdown 100 miles from home. Stranded in a remote location with no one he knew nearby that could help him, Russ thought “Wouldn’t it be great to have a fellow biker to call anytime, anywhere you needed help?” And so, BAM was born! Today, BAM’s nationwide volunteer network of roughly 2 million motorcyclists can help provide you with emergency breakdown assistance across the country. If you experience a breakdown or mechanical problems while on the road, call 1-800-4-BIKERS, and we will search our volunteer network and send someone out to help.

Roadside Assistance for Motorcycles

Russ also wanted to provide the support of his legal muscle to every BAM member. Today, Russ Brown Motorcycle Attorneys, and their nationwide network provide free legal advice 24/7 to all its members nationwide. Started by the Los Angeles motorcycle accident attorneys who ride, BAM is the ultimate resource for riders—one that has developed and flourished for over 30 years. As a result, the motorcycle accident attorneys at Russ Brown have developed trusted relationships with the best lawyers across the country. No matter where you ride, you can rest assured knowing you have the very best biker-friendly lawyers ready to help you if you are involved in a motorcycle crash. BAM’s emergency ID card can speak for you if you are incapacitated in a crash: we list your emergency contact person, medical problems, and blood type. With your permission, should emergency personnel call, we will supply this information and provide donors if necessary.

BAM membership is FREE!

All we ask is that you volunteer to help another member in need of assistance if called upon and only if you are available to do so. In turn, your Los Angeles Motorcycle Accident attorneys are here to advise you whether you need our representation or just some guidance and advice after an accident.

Join 2 million fellow bikers who have the strong backing of each other as well as the original Motorcycle Attorneys. Enhance your SCMA membership with all the added benefits of BAM: get your FREE BAM Benefit card by calling 1-800-4-BIKERS or visiting www.russbrown.com.

Announcing the 2021 Collection

Best 15 US Roads Challenge

*By Bob Roger
Chair, Best 15 US Roads*

With the travel and lodging restrictions that we all faced in 2020, only three SCMA riders were able to complete the Challenge. For 2020, the road list had been refreshed with eight replacement roads to entice members to take the Challenge. Few were certified finishers of that new list, so it is again being offered as the 2021 Challenge list.



As stated in the best 15 US roads Challenge Rules, a registrant will have a two-year window to complete the Challenge. However, ALL roads must be ridden in one calendar year between January 1st and November 15th with ride logs submitted by November 30th. There is a one time exception for that rule for the 2020 registrants because of the “beyond our control” travel restrictions. Those registrants can carry over roads ridden in 2020 then ride the remaining roads on the list to finish in 2021.

There are 16 roads on the Best 15 list, BUT the registrant can eliminate the road of his or her choice to become a finisher. The reason for 16 roads was to give riders not also doing a Four Corners Tour, options on their ride planning.

Best 15 US Roads Challenge registrants will receive a packet containing a Best 15 t-shirt, and a Best 15 pin and patch. Finishers will also receive an engraved Buck 112 Ranger Knife and a “suitable for framing” certificate to commemorate their accomplishment!!

Best 15 short sleeve t-shirts are available to everyone at \$24 each. Contact me for further information.

Bob Roger
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best15us@sc-ma.com
rsroger03@gmail.com



Southern California Motorcycling Association
Best 15 US Roads Challenge



This difficult Premier Ride Challenge is offered again for its eleventh anniversary in 2021, with the same roads offered in 2020. 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 exclusive group of finishers, or maybe the very exclusive group of repeat finishers and TAKE the 2021 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!"

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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

2021 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 to TX-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: btwn Kayenta AZ and Bluff Utah 68 miles
12. CO, San Juan Skyway CO-145: btwn 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. MS, Natchez Trace Parkway: btwn Natchez and Clinton (Jackson) 90 mi

Because of the road closure on CA1, as stated in the rules, a rider may start at either end, proceed to the road closed sign, and take the required photo to complete the road requirement. OR, as an alternative, a rider may choose to ride CA70 between Oroville and Quincy.

There are Sixteen roads listed, but only FIFTEEN are required to be a Challenge finisher, the registrant can eliminate any ONE of the 16 roads offered.

*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

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From Ice Carousel to Alligator Alley Leg 1 of the USA 4 Corners Ride – April 2021

By Charlie Lamb
Secretary – Director
#24220

Leg 1 of the USA 4 Corner ride includes the vast transition of seasons of Maine's final days of winter to Florida's full array of foliage.



Joe LaChance, founder of the Four Corners Park in Madawaska ME, bumps fists with Charlie on a cold April Morning!

When I arrived in Madawaska Maine on April 7, the final preparations for the world record ice carousel were being completed with a 1,234-foot diameter carousel of 17-inch-thick ice. That is 27 acres and almost 50,000 tons of rotating ice. The world record was recaptured from Finland on April 10. Most of the snow had melted and only few signs of early spring. Just the week before my arrival, the low temperatures had been single digit.

My stops along the way included Arcadia National Park, Biscayne National Park, and the Everglades National Park. The Arcadia NP visit includes one of the selected 15 Best US Roads this year.

Two interesting side notes, the Everglades National Park and southern Florida are home to the only place in the world where alligators and crocodiles co-exist and there are four different and distinct ecosystems in the Everglades. It is worth the



US-1 about 15 miles south of Madawaska after seeing a moose munching on the side of the road.



Above photo: Key West on US-1, on the east side of the island near the airport



Editor Note:

If you own a V-Twin you may want to consider a subscription to Thunder Press digital magazine.



Your April Issue of *Thunder Press* is Here!

<https://thunderpress.net>

Interesting new bikes, an inside look at the “season-opener” of major rallies, a sweet custom and more are just some of the highlights of the April issue.

The latest bike news is from Indian. We throw a leg over the renewed 2022 FTR series and share our perspective on these unique machines that combine improved agility with flat-track styling. Also, check out details on Indian’s new, limited-build Chieftain Elite.

We also take you behind the scenes at the 2021 Daytona Bike Week, profile the Tiger Glide — a 2020 Road Glide that Paul Yaffe and his crew built into an exclusive performance bagger — and much more.

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International News Section

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



An advertisement for Aerostich. The background is a photograph of a person wearing a silver helmet and a grey and yellow riding suit, sitting on a blue motorcycle on a paved road overlooking a mountain range under a blue sky with light clouds. The text 'GUARANTEED BETTER FIT' is written in large, bold, red letters on the left side. Below this, a list of bullet points is shown: '• 40 + sizes in stock', '• Mens and Womens grading', '• Shorts/Regulars/Talls', '• Alterations available', and '• All returnable'. At the bottom, the 'AEROSTICH SINCE 1982' logo is displayed in white, with the website 'aerostich.com/scma' below it. Small text at the bottom left reads 'Photo: Matthew Kabbash - 2016' and at the bottom right reads '©2016 Aerostich'.

CHASING THE HORIZON

(AN MOA PODCAST)

EPISODE 107, IN WHICH GONZO SAYS HE HOPES WE RIDE A LOT IN 2021!

An open source project by, for and about motorcyclists.



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Many moons ago (or so it seems), I had former motorcycle police officer and current MOA Key Volunteer Colleen Sepulveda on as a guest for our sister podcast, *200 Miles Before Breakfast*. (If you've never heard of that podcast, you can find Colleen's episode on the First 12 page). In our discussion, Colleen mentioned her participation in the Three Flags Classic, an open, five-day rally going from Mexico to Canada. I was intrigued, and Colleen recommended I chat with Gonzo, the guy who runs the group sponsoring the Three Flags.

Though I immediately reached out to Gonzo, it was obviously a long time between then and now, but here we are, it's 2021 and the Three Flags is on for later this year. I thought it was a great time to reach out to Gonzo again and find out more about the Three Flags and everything else the SCMA does. You can connect with the SCMA at SC-MA.com and on [Facebook](#), but that's their only social media presence

Listen to the podcast here:

<https://horizon.bmwmoa.org/episode-107-gonzo-scma/>

Three Flags Classic 2021 (TFC21) Update

from Steve Shulman, Chairman 3FC21

The TFC Committee continues meeting each month and evaluating the latest status of Canadian restrictions in regard to COVID.

Currently, the Canadian border is closed. But there is some optimism that it possibly could be opened in July.

A decision to "Go or No-Go" could be made in July but no later than August 1st.

**Saturday
September 11, 2021**

LEBANON

• Smack Dab In The MIDDLE Of The Continental US •

BUS 77

The logo for Lebanon Bus 77 features the word "LEBANON" in a large, white, outlined, serif font at the top. Below it is the tagline "• Smack Dab In The MIDDLE Of The Continental US •" in a smaller, orange, sans-serif font. At the bottom, the word "BUS" is written in a large, dark blue, stylized font, followed by the number "77" in the same font. In the center of the word "BUS", there is a graphic of three stylized human figures in orange, holding hands and raising their arms in a celebratory gesture.

Out of Country Medical Insurance You probably need it...

By Brian Hooker
3FC21 Vice Chair
#25029

Canadians travelling to the USA, Mexico or other places have long known about severe financial implications of medical issues when away from home base.

Horror stories of people loosing their houses, huge debts, upfront payments and the like. To avoid these consequences, we buy Medical Insurance. Even travelling within Canada, to different provinces, medical insurance is recommended. Each province has their own healthcare plans, limits, and exclusions, especially travelling to Quebec. Credit card or Group Plans probably isn't enough.

Apologies to American, Mexican and other countries riders – your coverages may differ. You need to check before any trouble.

Travel insurance is not a big expense, for the peace of mind the coverage gives you. Buying a policy is easy online or by phone. If you travel and ride a lot, look at an annual plan. I personally have done the annual plan for years, one less thing to think about before going for a burger and beer in Eureka MT. The links below are not an endorsement, and there are many other coverage options. I highly suggest you do your own research and proceed with what you are most comfortable with. Ask any current insurers about limits and coverages. Be safe out there!

Further info:

<https://www.debt.org/medical/hospital-surgery-costs/>

Medi-Quote Insurance

<https://www.mediquote.ca/>

The Canadian Snowbird Association recommends Medipac Travel Insurance

<https://www.snowbirds.org/travel-insurance/>

AMA - Alberta Motor Assn

<https://www.amatravel.ca/travel-medical-insurance>

Brian Hooker

3FC2021 Vice Chair & SCMA Canadian Liaison

44 Years of 3FC Routes

By Reuben Friesen
Member #37700

A few years back, around the winter of 2017, I came up with the idea of creating a map that reflected the routes of every 3FC that took place since inception of the ride in 1976. Now, if my recollection of 3FC mythology is correct, the first 4 or 5 year's were to just run up the I-5 from Tijuana to Vancouver. Year 1980 the route was reversed with a start in Vancouver and finish in Ensenada.

Collecting info on the routes, checkpoints, hotels, etc., was a challenge. Although I had a large amount of data, there were quite a few years of info missing. Fortunately, Chris White and Dannie Fox (both have ridden 40 or more 3FC's) learned of my project and, with their help and the help of a few others, the project reached completion! Chris (who lives on Vancouver Island) came out to my place for a few days and filled in many of the gaps. The fact that it was winter in northern Alberta, and that we had a case of scotch needing attention, had nothing to do with our taking 4-5 days. I'm just glad that I ran out of scotch otherwise I think Chris would have taken more days to tweak the map.

Anyhow, here is the finished product.....try to find the routes of the rides you have ridden!





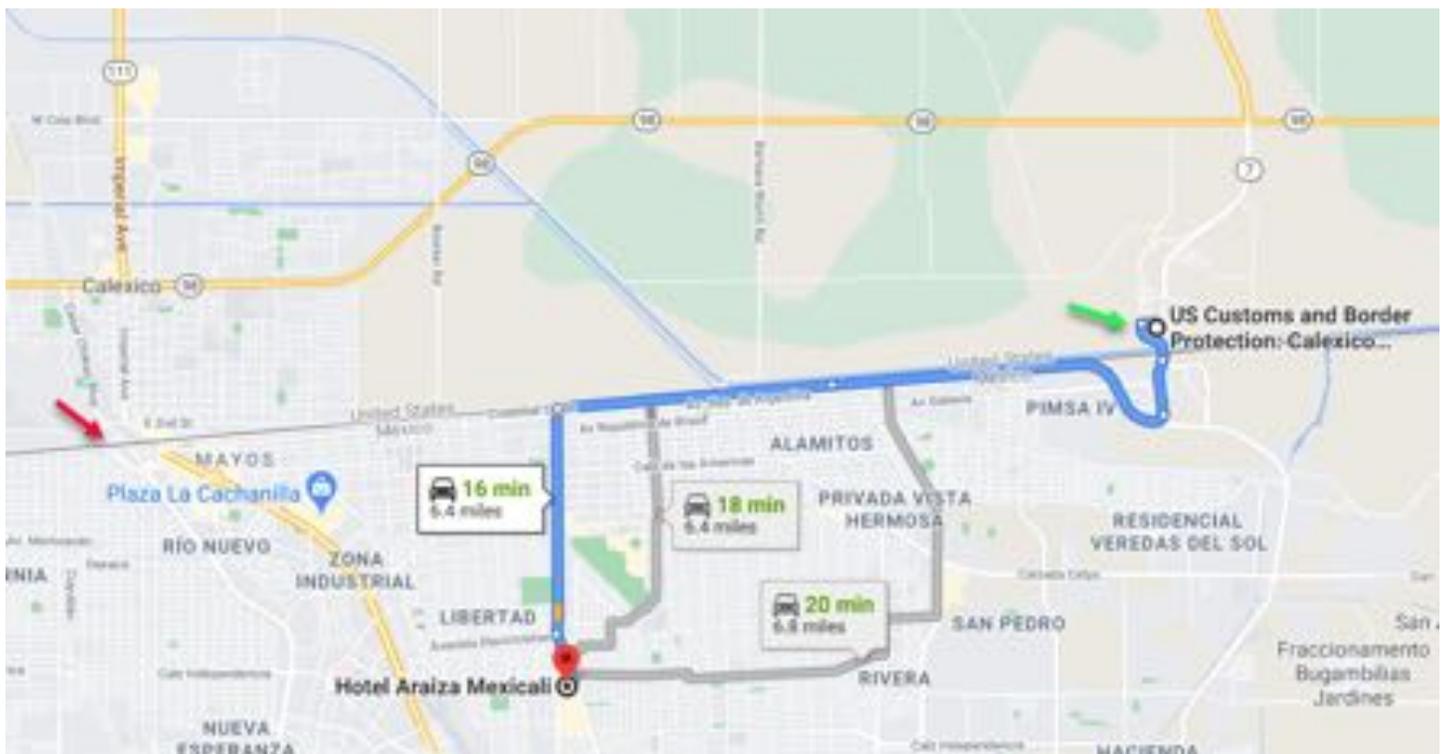
Ports of Entry to Mexicali

*By Karen Butterfield
Pres. Red Hot Riders of San Diego
Member #33996*

Jorge, the manager of the Mexicali Araiza, recommends we use the other border crossing called "Calexico East Port of Entry". It is a little further east on 98 or I-8 (refer to the green arrow in the map below, instead of the red arrow). Due to traffic and construction it could be slower crossing the border at CA-111.

As we get closer to the date of the start we'll publish more information about crossing the border.

Karen



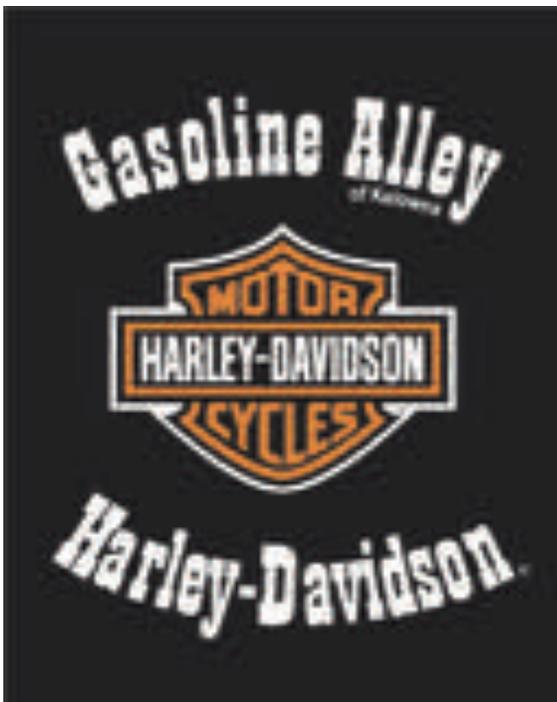


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Three Flags Classic - Ticket Resales

Each year, before the start of a 3FC, approximately 10% of 3FC Ticket Buyers find that they are unable to attend and try to sell their ticket to a buyer.

Since 2016, the 3FC Chairs have been burdened with tracking ticket resales and ensuring SWAG bags are renamed/renumbered, etc. Database corrections and updates became a struggle, as was the collection of stats for Les Gullery to report the numbers of riders, states, countries, bike models, etc.

During the 2019 registration process, we stumbled upon a process that simplified the collection of data and ensures transaction integrity. Riders purchasing a resale ticket are assured they will receive their SWAG, pre-printed passport, and proper sized t-shirt. Sellers can also be assured of receiving their full payment as the resale price remains fixed to the original purchase price.

Here is the resale process that will be followed during 3FC21.

1. SCMA will establish a "3FC21 Ticket Re-sale" page on the forum or somewhere easily accessible by members.
2. Upon deciding to sell a 3FC ticket, seller would go to this webpage and list their name(s), quantity of tickets, contact information.
3. Buyers can be recruited by individual sellers or can simply go to the website and contact a seller.
4. Re-sales will be made in the date-order of listings; exception to this rule will be if a seller brought his/her own buyer to the deal.
5. Seller then contacts the designated administrator (eg. Gonzo at 949xxxx or Filley at 619xxxx) and informs the administrator that he is selling a ticket to "Buyer Name"
6. Buyer calls Administrator to report he is buying such ticket from (Seller Name).
7. Buyer goes online and purchases a new ticket.
8. Administrator removes the seller from the data records and informs treasurer to repay seller.
9. Repayment will either be via PayPal or a check from SCMA (in event seller purchased ticket more than 6 months prior to resale).
10. Transaction fees incurred by SCMA will be deducted from the refunded amount.

We certainly hope that all registrants for 3FC21 will be able to make it to the start

ARE YOU A LIFE MEMBER ??

We have not heard from any of the below former Life Members.

They are on our rolls

BUT

Their profile has **NO** contact information.

For the past few months this list of names has been published in the hopes that we would hear from them and their profile could be updated.

Beginning next month, these names **will be deleted** from the SCAM database.

Thank you,

Jim Filley
Membership Director,
Jamesf4@gmail.com

First	Last	First	Last
Gary	Arkebauer	Martin A.	Judd
Frank	Aupperlee	Alvin	Kuznitsky
William	Barcik	Floyd	Maples
Mary	Barcik	Gene	Mason
Billy	Barrett	Wallace	Masters
John	Belgen	Larry	Matsumura
Dale	Brassfield	James	Mc Cord
Ray	Brosell	Buford	Mc Daniel
			Mc
Don	Clark	Dave	Queeney
Tommy	Clifton	Jack	Mccormack
Allan	Cline	Harold	Neumann
Will	Deits	Mark	Parrish
Manuel	Dias	Don	Perdew
Ronald	Edgley	Dean	Porter
Roberta	Epps	Hug	Porter
Jim	Farrand	Clyde	Reynolds
Harry	Fisher	Karen	Richmond
Bob	Foreman	Robert	Smith
Randy	Fox	Terry	Smith
Patrick	Gaffney	Clay	Sweeney
Doug	Galloway	Leroy	Tomasi
Dick	Grant	George	Turner
William	Juchem	Doug	Tyler Jr.
		William	Victorine

SCMA's Premier Events

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

The planning for the 2021, 45th Annual Three Flags Classic is beginning. The ride will start in Mexicali, Baja Mexico, and head north for a finish in Penticton, BC Canada. The ride will be 5 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. <https://sc-ma.com/rides/usa-four-corners-tour-site/usa-four-corners-tour-ride-summary/>

SCMA Best 15 US Roads Challenge

During 2021, 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 2021 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 Premier Triple Crown award. Mike Williams is chairing these events in 2021.

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: <http://sc-ma.com/rides/california-parks-adventure>.

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

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 2021.

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 2021.

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 2021.

Some Valuable Fine Print (REALLY !)

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