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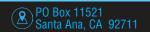


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Year In Review

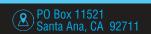
2023 Ride and Event Calendar				
Month	Genral Meeting	Weekend Ride		
JAN	Rock Inn Cafe, Lake Hughes	Anza Borrego hotel/camping		
FEB	Irv's, Base Camp class	Baja 9-day, Laughlin (canc weather)		
MAR	Josie's Hideout Sallon, Santa Ysabel, Past Presidents Breakfast	Death Valley Airhead Rally, Tech Day		
APR	Irv's w/ ride to Firehouse BBQ, Ride Planing Meeting	El Chorro Park camping, central coast		
MAY	Farms House, Banning	49er Rally, Mariposa		
JUN	Mt. Baldy Lodge	Kearnville hotel/camping		
JUL	SCBMWRC annual picnic	BYE WEEK		
AUG	Firehouse Que and Brew, Fallbrook	Lompoc hotel, Central Coast		
SEP	Thelma's Restaurant and Bakery, Big Bear	Porterville motel		
ОСТ	Farmhouse 78, Santa Ysabela	Mt Laguna Lodge/camping		
NOV	Julian Beer Company, Julian	Julian ADV Rally, Julian		
DEC	SCBMWRC Annual Christmas Party	BYE WEEK		

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JAN	Rock Inn Cafe, Lake Hughes	Laughlin NV hotel		
FEB	Irv Seaver BMW	Joshua Tree		
MAR	Away	3:10 to Yuma		
APR	Planning	Jacumba Hot Springs		
MAY	Away	Southern UT, 49er		
JUN	Irv Seaver BMW	MOA National Rally, Redmond OR		
JUL	SCBMWRC Annual Picnic	7 Passes ride		





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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE







i South Coasters.

I hope you are enjoying cool temps, fresh air, and warm mugs of pumpkin latte. Football and the Fall Classic. Brings back memories of high school football games. We'd buy piping hot baked potatoes from the concession stand and could never decide whether to eat them, enjoying the warm starch on the inside, or just hold them and soak up the heat from the outside.

You have just a few days left to order your club gear. I still smile everytime I see a cruiser rider with a giant round patch on his back. My mind immediately goes to my South Coaster tri-fold hat tucked into the top case with it's magnetic/plastic nametag prominently pinned to the side. Be part of our team. Get your gear by Nov 4th at this link!

A little clarification on our monthly 50/50 raffle is in order. The board recently learned that it is against California state law for a non-profit (we are a 501(c)(7), social club) to conduct a raffle. As with every legal issue, there are a lot of ifs, therefore, and whereas's, giving us slight hope that we could find a loophole. But after careful review, the board determined that we cannot legally continue. With this discovery Ric wryly made the comment that his annual membership just got a lot cheaper. • The flip side of that is that the revenue from the 50/50 is about \$500 of our annual \$4,300 budget; only 12%, but still, that must be recouped. The board is discussing options.

Thanks to Ed and Ric for leading the group to Farmhouse 78 for our Sept GM. And of course, we appreciate all the work Steve put into organizing the Mt Laguna weekend. Please thank these guys when you see them. Our schedule for the rest of 2023 is admittedly slim so don't miss out on the last riding opportunity. The November weekend ride includes a giant scavenger hunt, team event, the first weekend of the month. We'll also host the GM in the midst of that at The Julian Beer Company. Sign up on the event link and find details on the forum page. Finally, block off Saturday, December 16th for our annual Christmas Party. We'll have the photo both back and of course, the gift exchange.

In this issue you'll read a recap of the Porterville and Laguna Mt weekends, the Sept GM, and meet our newest members. Enjoy the edition, especially if you weren't able to make an event. Live it vicariously through narrative.

Eric W. President



OUTH COAST BMW RIDERS CLUB

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THESE WERE THE ANSWERS!

1968 Kawasaki 120 Trail

BMW R1250R

So far, my current BMW

Started on dirt bikes in 1974

~300

~15,000

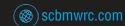
Silverado Canyon area

No significant other

Total Control IRC, SLOW Ride Police Motor Training

Camaraderie

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Taco 22 mini bike age 12

2023 BMW R1250RS, 2017 Harley Street Glide, 2022 KTM 1290 Super Duke.

ΑII

55

600

Unknown, many

Julian, Rock Store, Look out restaurant Ortega, Mulhulland, Grand Canyon

No

I am a POST certified motor trainer for CA police. Road raced at Willow etc.

Have fun and ride together.

Over 5 years ago Retired police officer and have had motorcycles most of my life.

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1984 Honda Nighthawk

BMW R 1200 RT - 2016

This one (BMW)

40

420

10,000

Santiago Canyon Ride

No

None - Need to take some.

Particiapte in some group rides, learn from others about my own bike and learn from others.

I have been married for 30 years to Ann Marie and have 2 daughters.

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A 1980 Honda CM400T

2023 BMW RnineT 100-year anniversary

Since I've only owned two, that's a no-brainer - the RnineT

Maybe 7 or 8; most of my motorcycling was done in my twenties.

Possibly 500'ish? Its been a long time ... Most on my RnineT were 250 miles

Probably 30,000

not yet. The favorite trips I have taken are all too far (in Europe, the Alps, etc)

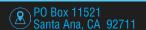
No, she is not into it but she let's me ;-)

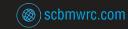
I took the MSF basic class when I started back in the saddle in the US.

Fellowship, fun rides, tips around motorcycling (such as equipment, tours, ...)

There is a BMW MC legacy in my family since my grandfather owned a 1924 R32 on which my dad took his motorcycle license in 1950 and later rode a R51.

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FARMHOUSE COUNTRY 78 EATERY

Saturday October 7th 2023

y Friday changed rapidly changed when I got an email from Tom White advising me that Ortega Highway was to be closed, both directions, both days this weekend. A check of Caltrans Quick Map confirmed the information. Since the planned route to our GM and lunch destination was to take us over that road, to meet up with a second group, I had to change plans.

The fix was, Ed T would lead the riders meeting at Lake Elsinore Market south to the restaurant and I would take the group from Irv Seavers further south on the I 5 to exit onto CA 76 and via a route I put together Friday afternoon to the restaurant.

The group at Irv Seaver had grown from the list that had registered so the normal two groups formed. Pete R peeled away on time and my group followed 10 minutes later. We had a break at the Aliso Creek rest stop, on I 5 south, near Oceanside where a few south OC members joined.

As we headed east, away from the Pacific Ocean, the temperature climbed faster than we were traveling. It was not long before a voice over mesh announced "wow, 94°". The route took us over a collection of back roads, including Lilac Rd. and Gopher Canyon Rd., before throwing us back on SR 76 at the Rincon roundabout. We arrived at Farmhouse 78 at about 12:20, the ten-minute separation from Pete's group ahead still intact. Before I had my Helmet off Ed's group rolled into the parking lot. Perfect timing!

Following the meeting and a refuel, a group of eight headed off on the route back home via Doffo Winery. The temperature on my dash screen was a toasty 97° but the ride was relaxed and enjoyable. Pete R, didn't refuel and was at the winery turn off when we arrived. Parking was impossible with the weekend crowd and several in the group had planned not to stop anyway. Four of us took a stroll around the motorcycle collection, drank several cups of ice-cold water and chatted in the shade for a while. Before departing I acquired four bottles of the winery's Moto Doffo collection. We took more back roads to join back to I 215 where we split and headed our own routes home. Mine ended back at Irv Seavers to complete a true door to door ride.

A great day, despite the heat. Thank you to all that attended.

Die M Board Member



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FARMHOUSE COUNTRY 78 EATERY

Saturday October 7th 2023

As Ric indicated our group met at the Elsinore end of Ortega Highway Even though we heard the Ortega would be closed through the weekend, we kept the meeting location in place. Seven riders left the market and proceeded East to the 15 Freeway. Getting off of the 15 at Clinton Keith, I picked a route that would avoid the Temecula traffic and headed for Sage Road. Watching the ETA closely, I decided to take a route through the wineries that eventually intersects with Highway 79. As Ric stated we arrived within minutes of each other.

The Farmhouse 78 in Sata Ysabel is on the corner of highway 79 and 78. The restaurant patio was reserved for us and the wait staff was ready for us. Except for the parking lot and street noise, this location once again served our purpose. Eric W. Ron Z. and Ryan G, our president, Vice President and Secretary were not available so Ric M and I ran the meeting. Andreas Gneist, our Regional MOA coordinator contacted Eric W. several days prior to our meeting. Eric extended an invitation to Andreas to attend our G.M.

Andreas used the opportunity to discuss MOA and how as an MOA club we fit into the organization. Andreas also discussed the many benefits of the MOA to members, including the Anonymous list, tire insurance and financial help provided to incentivize motorcycle skills training. It was interesting to hear how MOA is funded.

I am sure we will hear more from Andreas as he develops the ideas he has for our MOA region. Ric went over the upcoming schedule, Sergio C. discussed upcoming safety training opportunities, Pete R. Discussed the milage tracking program.

> Ed T Treasurer















NOW at Irv Seaver



Be one of the First to see the all new BMW Motorrad USA R1300 GS. We will have one for your viewing pleasure. Furthermore, we will have a BMW Motorrad USA product specialist on site to answer any questions you have. Don't miss this opportunity.

Event Date: 11/1/2023 Time: 10am-6pm

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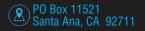
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Got a story to share with the club? How do you share your material with the editor?



Tinkering with your bike?
Where did you ride to?
Any new gear?
Anything BMW related...







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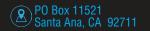








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riday Morning - We had a nice turn-out at the Panera Bread meetup with 12 bikes initially showing up. We met up with Carl off the 14 and Avenue I junction, making 13 bikes total. We took the route up ACH and onto Angeles Forest, when Lone Wolf (aka Eric) decided to take off in front of the pack. Although I spoke to Eric while on the road, we wouldn't see Eric again until we arrived at the Keene Cafe for lunch.



Friday Afternoon - After we finished lunch, Eric indicated he needed to fill up with gas. The rest of us

had already gassed up before arriving at the Keene Cafe. So Eric indicated he was off to get gas and would catch up with us. We didn't see Eric again until we arrived at the Motel 6 Porterville.

The route from Choctaw Valley to California Hot Springs led us onto some interesting and highly twisty roads with views of oil dredgers all around us. I don't think any of us had been on this route before, and it was an experience! Somewhere along the route we had gotten off track, which led to an adventure of traveling new roads. But we ended up making to the Motel only about a half hour behind schedule.

Friday Evening - After we rested a bit, it was decided to eat the Mexican restaurant that I had also made a group reservation for Saturday evening. Myself and everyone else seemed to enjoy the food, but unfortunately, they don't serve the customary after-ride adult beverages. So after dinner, a few folks decided to partake with their own adult beverages and wind the evening down.







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Saturday Morning - Some folks decided to head to the Black Bear Diner for breakfast before the ride, while others were happy to just have some coffee.

We then headed up Sierra Dr, to Dry Creek Rd and Hogback Rd for more awesome twisties before taking Hwy 180 to the North-East entrance of Kings Canyon. This day was free entrance to the park, so we were expecting traffic.

Saturday Afternoon - After coming into the park we headed up to Grant Grove Village for lunch, and do some gift shopping. Most of us then headed up to the General Grant Tree for group pictures - proving that we were actually there. Ed Taylor may tell you he was also there, but there's no pictures of him to prove it.

We then headed down south on Generals Hwy, which was painfully slow as the previously mentioned traffic took its toll on the extreme twisties. After finally exiting the park, most of us made our way to Three Rivers Yogurt to cool off with consuming some refreshing Type 2 Diabetes yogurt. After cooling off we made our way back to the Motel and rest up for dinner.



Saturday Evening - The group decided to keep the reservation at the Mexican restaurant and eat dinner there. The restaurant was very hospitable to us and I can recommend it, even though they don't serve alcohol.

After dinner, more adult beverages were acquired and some of us wound the evening down, downing beverages.

Sunday Morning - Some of did our own thing getting home, and others decided to group up and go over Sherman Pass to head home.

This was an awesome weekend with great riding, camaraderie and eating. I wish to thank all who attended to make this quite the memorable weekend!







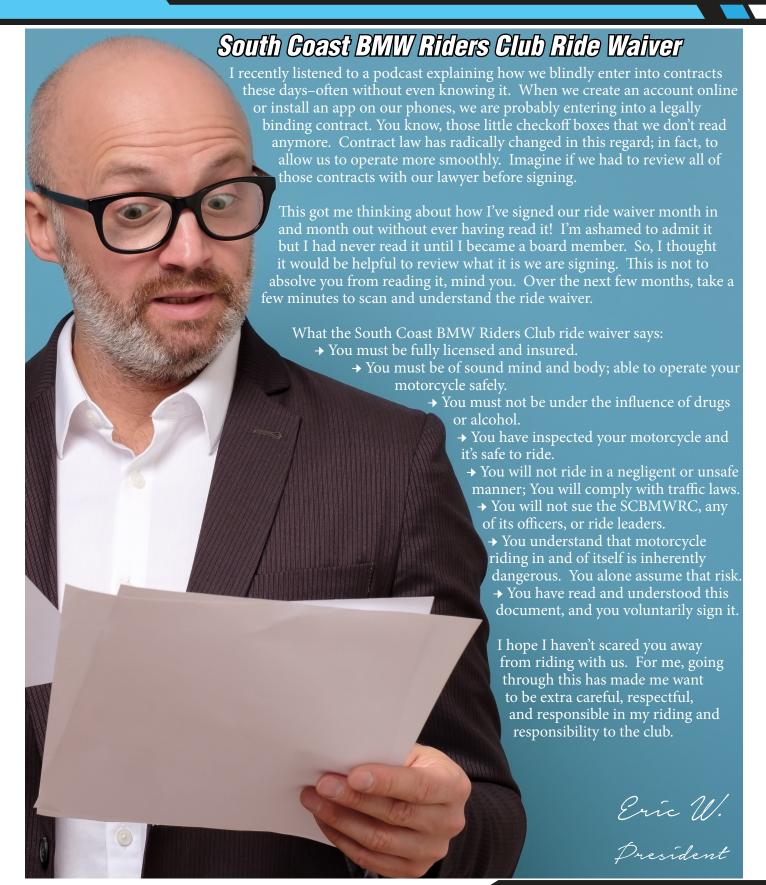




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f you've never had the desire to get in your car and take a roadtrip to experience another culture, you can stop reading. This article is not for you!

Now that I lost 15% of the readers, let's get into whether or not international moto travel is something you should consider or should you just focus on going to Sturgis once a year and visit our national parks on your bike.

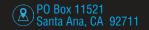
Motorcycle travel is a pursuit that inherently embodies the spirit of adventure and freedom. Hopping on a motorcycle and hitting the open road is an experience that enthusiasts hold dear. It's a journey that often involves confronting the unknown, and that is especially true when it comes to international motorcycle travel. I would like to address the initial intimidation and apprehension that comes with venturing abroad on a motorcycle, as well as the countless reasons why it is undeniably great to ride in another country.

Speaking from personal experience, I regrettably procrastinated visiting a friend in Mexico for almost 2 decades. When I finally took my skirt off and took my maiden voyage south of the border, in the middle of the pandemic and all the lock downs, mind you, it was the most invigorating solo trip I had ever taken. So much so, that upon my return to the US, I formed a moto touring company and started taking groups of riders to visit Mexico. It's a hobby that has turned into a business.





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The Intimidation Factor

The prospect of international motorcycle travel can be incredibly intimidating. There are numerous factors that contribute to this initial sense of trepidation:

- 1. Unfamiliar Terrain: Every country has its unique landscapes and road conditions, and these can be drastically different from what riders are accustomed to. From the rugged terrain of Baja, Mexico, to the chaotic traffic of Rome, Italy, the fear of navigating unknown roads can be a significant obstacle.
- 2. Language Barriers: Communication is key to safety, and when you're in a foreign land, language barriers can make simple interactions, let alone emergency situations, feel daunting.
- 3. Cultural Differences: Customs, road rules, and driving etiquette vary from one place to another. Adhering to local customs and respecting the cultural norms can be challenging, especially when you're unsure of what they are.
- 4. Legalities and Documentation: Dealing with visas, border crossings, and ensuring your motorcycle complies with local regulations can be a bureaucratic labyrinth, adding another layer of stress.

The Rewards

Despite the initial intimidation, international motorcycle travel offers a wealth of rewards that make it an experience well worth pursuing:

- 1. Cultural Immersion: Riding in another country allows you to immerse yourself in the culture in a way that other modes of travel can't match. You become a part of the landscape, rather than a passive observer. The sights, sounds, and even the smells become a part of the experience.
- 2. Awe-Inspiring Scenery: International motorcycle travel takes you to some of the world's most breathtaking and remote locations, where you can witness stunning natural beauty. From the sweeping vistas of the Scottish Highlands to the serenity of the Irish countryside, these experiences are unforgettable.

- 3. The Universal Language of Riding: Motorcycling transcends language barriers. The camaraderie among riders, both local and foreign, is a powerful force that bridges gaps and fosters connections. Riders are a global community, bonded by their shared passion for two wheels.
- 4. Personal Growth: Facing the unknown and overcoming the challenges of international travel on a motorcycle can be an immensely rewarding personal journey. It pushes riders out of their comfort zones, builds confidence, and fosters a sense of independence.
- 5. Freedom and Spontaneity: Riding a motorcycle in another country offers a sense of freedom and spontaneity that is hard to replicate in any other form of travel. You can change your route on a whim, explore uncharted paths, and truly experience the unexpected.



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Final Thought

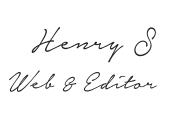
International motorcycle travel is not for the faint of heart. It definitely is not for someone who prefers eating ONLY scrambled eggs with bacon and a high stack of pancakes, and if that is what you enjoy, by all means, you should continue with what works for you, but the emotional and mental rewards of traveling abroad and exploring other countries on two wheels are immeasurable and the memories are everlasting.

While the initial intimidation is real, it is dwarfed by the enriching experiences that await those who dare to explore foreign lands and allow in other cultures, even if they seem strange and unnatural at first. From cultural immersion to the beauty of nature and the personal growth it fosters, the thrill of riding in another country is a testament to the indomitable spirit of adventure that lives within the hearts of motorcycle enthusiasts worldwide.

So, next time the open road calls, and the unknown looms, remember that the intimidation is just the beginning of an incredible journey filled with life-changing moments and memories that will last a lifetime.

While getting up and setting sail onto new frontiers is exciting and exhilirating, you should consider using an experienced companion for your first international endeavor so your initial experience is not tainted by the stress of surviving in a foreign country.

I take tours to Mexico, Canada and Europe on a regular basis and would love to take some of that initial intimidation load off of your shoulders. So next time you're at a South Coasters' General Meeting, come over and say hello. I have a feeling you'll have copious amounts of FOMO after hearing about my recent tours and future plans.





















ADVENTURE RALLY & CAMP JULIAN, CA NOVEMBER 2-4, 2023

Location: Stagecoach Trails RV Resort, Julian, CA







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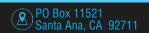








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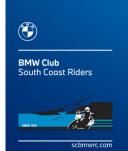












First General Meeting of 2024 The Rock Inn January 6th, 2024

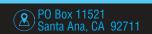
Location: The Rock Inn, Lake Hughes







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A TALE OF TWO CANYONS

It was the best of times, it was the worst of times......

Okay, that's a little dramatic (not to mention plagiarism). I did visit two magnificent canyons this summer, and wanted to share.

I had signed up again for the Top of the Rockies Rally in Paionia, CO, having not been able to make it last year. I took off on July 17, melting through Las Vegas, again, 114 at least, and stayed overnight in Hurricane, UT. The ride to the North Rim, on State 59 then 89A was pleasant, but once I turned south on AZ 67, I was in heaven! Very little traffic, a long winding road, and then to my camping spot at the North Rim.



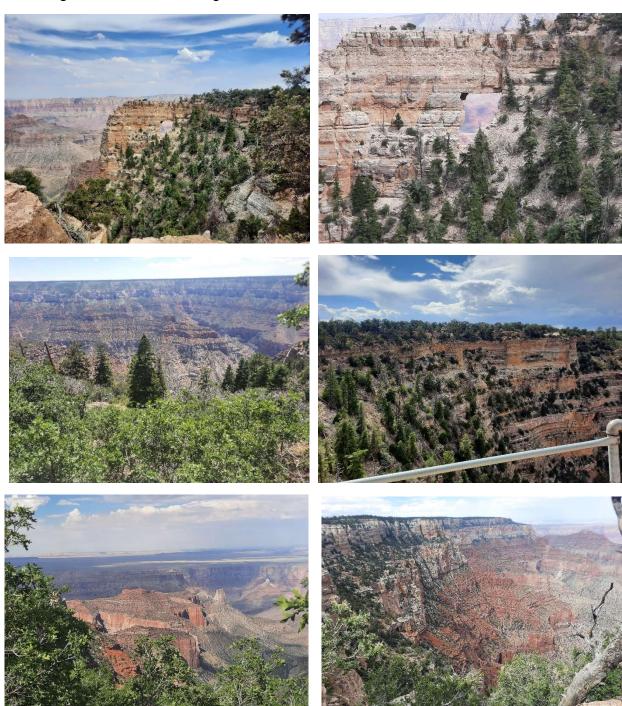








After setting up, I rode the Cape Royal Road, a scenic drive to some majestic overlooks, including Roosevelt Point, Angels Window, and Vista Encantada.



It doesn't get much better than that! Besides the views, the temps were perfect. Not too hot, not too cold.





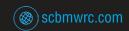


Riding out the next morning, the 40s temps were very welcome, as I knew that wouldn't last. Unfortunately, I think I ran into some heat exhaustion the day before, and decided to head back home. Staying overnight in Primm, I was looking at getting back to Chino before the heat hit.

Well, just before Barstow, the lights on the display started coming on, and when I stopped in Lenwood, I wasn't able to re-start the bike. After a little while, the battery cooperated, and I took off, hoping to make it home fast. That was not to happen. About 15 miles later, the engine quit, and I pulled off to the side. Waited a couple of hours to get a tow to Brown's in Pomona. Well, the service manager came out, showing me the alternator belt. He said that it came off, and looks to have been installed inside out. Now, I had put on a new belt about 14,000 miles earlier. I didn't argue with him, but I know how to put on a belt correctly. It didn't make sense that it would take 14,000 miles to come off. So, one of those mysteries that may not ever get answered.

Not too long after this, I found the Thunder Mountain Rendezvous was taking place in Hotchkiss, CO, about 10 miles from Paonia. This happened to be on the same weekend as the Porterville ride in the 2nd half of September. After signing up, I left on the 20th, with a straight blast up I-15.

Las Vegas was much more pleasant this time, only in the 90's. Once past St. George in Utah (where I ran across about 15 female riders from the Dominican Republic on rented Harleys and one R18!), the ride was great, and turning off onto I-70, I spent the night at The Ranch Motel in Salina, UT. What a great little motel, run by super nice people, and a break from chain motels. I also managed to snag my first Coddiwomple of the trip. (From the MOA website: "What is a Coddiwomple, you ask? Well, it means "to travel in a purposeful manner toward a vague destination." So, think of this is as a large-scale scavenger hunt created just for BMW MOA members!")











Giant Soda Cans in Salina, UT

The I-70 ride to CO was terrific----very few cars, amazing and varied terrain. Plus a strange jerky shop at the I-70 turnoff to Arches National Park. Don't know how this place survives----really expensive!





Next Coddiwomples:











Chrome Buffalo in Grand Junction, CO



Ute Council Tree, Delta, CO

Arrived in Hotchkiss and set up at the Fairgrounds. This is an annual event of the BMW club of Western Colorado. I believe I was the only outsider there, although all are welcome! Maybe 50-60 attendees in all. And a great location in this small town.







Friday was my ride to Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park. I rode in from the north on CO 92----beautiful road, awesome sights, few cars. Then, it was putting up with the road construction on U.S. 50, and west to the south entrance to the N.P.

The Black Canyon is not as huge as the Grand Canyon, but it does have its own style! And much less traffic.















Friday night dinner was made in huge pots by the Club---gumbo and rice. Can't beat that!

I packed up early and left Saturday morning, and rode in mid 30's temps through the western Rockies and San Juan Mountains, past Telluride, and into Dolores. From there, pleasant riding to 4 Corners



and spending the night in Flagstaff.

The next morning, another few hours of mid-30's, then the long desert ride on I-40 and home. 1860 miles in 5 days, and the only glitch, other than the U.S. 50 traffic delays, was a headlight bulb needing replacing. Good ride and completed the Coddiwomple! John C.











General Meeting

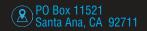
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I am hosting a weekend ride to Baja to attend the annual Ensenada Beer Fest.

Friday March 22nd, 2024 - Sunday March 24th, 2024

What can you expect at this festival? 130+ beer vendors showcasing their brew, as far as the eye can see all kinds of delicious food vendors several stages of live music from a large variety of geners abundance of beautiful and happy people who are there to have a great time! I am also planning a wine tasting tour, followed by an exquisite dinner on Saturday the 23rd. Roundtrip van ride to the wine tasting and dinner provided.





This is a JSU trip. What is JSU? JSU stands for Just Show Up! No making reservations, no worrying about who ate what, who drank what, no more dog and pony show when the check arrives. Everything will be prearranged for you. Your hotel, your meals and everything else will be taken care of by Goat Moto, you just show up. This trip includes:

- **★**Hotel
- **★**Breakfasts
- **★**Lunches
- **★**Dinners
- ★Private van ride to wine/food
- ★2-day tickets to the Beer Fest
- **★**Custom t-shirt
- ★All the tolls and fees along the way

Total weekend cost: \$850.00

Price will increase after November 30th, 2023



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