



## TOUR CAPTAIN'S REPORT *by Ted Crum*

We had no meeting ride in May, because May is 49er month. Despite a late start, Andy and his stalwart volunteers put together a successful and enjoyable event, featuring evolving dual-sport and women's programs. Your tour captain was asked to present the GPS seminar, so I interrupted a weekend of tire kicking and al pastor burritos to give two sessions. I'd never done this before, and I learned a lot from the attendees about what they want covered.

On June 20, we had a special ride that Historian Ed Perry cooked up, inspired by his scooter club, the Triple-Crown Anniversary Ride (T-CAR.) It's a 50th year event that will take us to the three major peaks in the Bay Area; Hamilton, Diablo and Tamalpais.

We met at Zamora's Omelette House (2920 Alum Rock Ave, San Jose) and started the route at between 9:00 in the morning. We hung out at the three peaks, and at the recommended lunch stop, Genova Delicatessen (1105 S California Blvd, Walnut Creek.) The route, was freeway-free except for the Richmond bridge. We had hoped to have commemorative stickers, but at the Mt Tam finish, we only received a hearty commendation from the Norcal peak monitor.

The June 27 meeting is the Election Meeting at Fignon Lake. Tom Harris has made arrangements for early birds to camp on Friday (sites A3 and A5), and he will lead a street ride at 9:00 AM Saturday morning on these roads he knows so well, ending with a no-host breakfast at the Apple Mountain Golf Resort. RSVP for breakfast attendance by June 21 to <tuco@internet49.com>. We have the run of the campground Saturday.

At the early 4:00 meeting, dues-paid members will elect a new board of directors. It's not too late to contact Mike Morlin to nominate yourself for office. If you're striking for Tour Captain, campsite reservations have been made 6 months in advance.

At 6:00 the Mosquito Volunteer Firefighters Association will provide dinner at the campground (vegetarian option) for \$20, and Tom will tap a keg of local craft brew. RSVP for dinner to <registration49er@yahoo.com>. The usual \$10 member / \$20 non-member camping fee applies. The Saturday ride will start at the Railroad Café in Livermore; Breakfast at 8:00, leave at 9:00. Route instruction and GPS files will be on the web site and Meetup.

The July meeting, moved to 7/18 to not conflict with the MOA National, will be at Oh Ridge on June Lake. We will have some space on Friday 7/17 for riders who come early to ride the many trails in the area. The August 29 meeting will be at the Emigrant group camp at Stampede Reservoir in Tahoe National Forest. The September 26 meeting will be at the Hornswoggle group camp at Bullards Bar Reservoir, on Marysville Rd near Hwy 49. We have the camp for Friday and Saturday night. Russ Drake will share his local knowledge by leading that tour.

The Oktoberfest meeting and party, on October 24, will be another celebration of our 50 years. It will be held on one acre of green grass and trees at Rancho Seco Park (25 mi SE of Sacramento), group site 2. The November meeting is traditionally delayed a week to avoid Thanksgiving, putting it on December 5. I have reservation for the group camps at both at Rancho Seco and at Plaskett Creek in Los Padres National Forest, overlooking the Pacific. Let me know if you have a preference.

Enjoy the Ride!

Ted Crum

Tour Captain



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2015 49er RALLY AWARDS:

**OLDEST:**

Female: (73)  
Carol Huntzinger; San Jose CA  
Male: (74)  
Alan Huntzinger; San Jose CA  
Youngest Rider: (18)  
Madeline Belken: Atascadero

**LONG DISTANCE:**

Solo Female: (1,395 miles)  
Marg Lang; Calgary, Alberta, Canada  
Solo Male: (1,287 miles)  
Mark Foan; Kamloops, B.C. Canada  
Side Car: (939 Miles)  
Gary Phillips; Pollock, Id

**SLOW RACE:**

1st - Murray Rubenzahl  
2nd - Brian Bennett  
3rd - Mark Scott  
4th - Mike Bloed  
5th - Dave Opheim

**ASPHALT TRIALS:**

1st - Brian Bennett  
2nd - Dave Opheim  
3rd - Ben Thompson  
4th - Murray Rubenzahl  
5th - Harry Thompson

**ENGLISH TRIALS:**

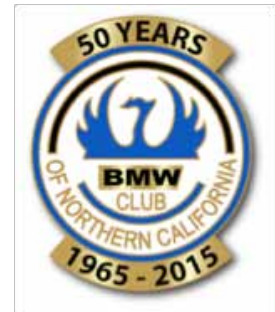
1st - Murray Rubenzahl  
2nd - Chad Olsen  
3rd - Brian Bennet  
4th - Jeff Chaffer  
5th - Dan Carter

**MEMBERSHIP PINS GIVEN:**

Bill Hall 10-year  
David Opheim 10-year

# PRESIDENTIAL RAMBLINGS:

by Z Ortiz



**RAFFLE PRIZE WINNERS:**

**GRAND PRIZE** – New 2015  
Klim Apex Jacket - won by Tom  
Davel

BMS Solo Vinyl Saddle -  
won by Ron Harvov

**SPOT** Gen3 Satellite Personal  
Tracker - won By Bill Deviny

Micro-Start XP-3 Starter Char-  
ger and Power Source –  
won by Russ Taylor

Held Sambia Gloves -  
won by Kyle Cooper

Inferno Mid Layer Jacket by  
Klim - won by Gloria Davis

PBR 3-in-1 Chain Breaker Tool  
by Motion Pro -  
won By Alan Huntzinger

Micro Tire Pump Kit Basic  
- won By Kurt Matthews and a  
2nd won by Aaron Pollard

**NEW 2015 VERSION** Joey  
Chair - won by Bill Lopez and a  
2nd won by Fran Miller

Weiser Ultra Bright LED Blink-  
er Inserts for BMW -  
won by Linda Crawford

## JUNE ELECTION MEETING 2015: *by Tom "Tuco" Harris*

The 2015 NorCal election meeting will be held at the Finnon Lake campground again this year on June 27th. The MVFA staff will serve us a catered dinner on Saturday at 6:00 right at the campsite area on "the Point". They look forward to our return. Please let Z know before Sunday, June 21st if you want dinner so we can get an accurate head count. The menu this year will have two entrées of the Italian variety: Lasagna and Italian sausage, plus a vegetarian Lasagna offering. The club will provide a keg from Jack Russell Brewery in Camino. Our hosts will also offer wine for sale at dinner. Plus we will have coffee on Sunday morning at the campground, and the Deli Cafe will open at 9:00 am to offer their breakfast sandwiches.

The club reserved the entire campground for Saturday, June 27th. Early birds who arrive on Friday will find campsites A-3 and A-5 reserved for NorCal on "the Point".

Finnon Lake Recreation Area is around 2300 ft. elevation. To get there from US-50 eastbound, take the Broadway exit to Mosquito Road. (From US-50 westbound, take the Mosquito Rd. exit). At about 2 miles, don't miss the left turn to stay on Mosquito road at Union Ridge road.

## THE JUNE ELECTION MEETING IS IMPORTANT!:

The current Board of Directors elected Mike Morlin to chair the election committee for the 2015-2016 Board of Directors elections. Mike has been working with Richard Burton to seek out candidates for the 2015-2016 Board of Directors.

The committee has networked with the membership and scouted for new members willing to serve on the Board of Directors. The committee will screen them for qualifications. The committee will run the elections at our June meeting. As of June 22, nominations by the committee include the following candidates:

President: Dan Rowe, Vice President: Bill Lopez,  
Secretary: Open, Treasurer: John Vashon,  
Tour Captain: Ted Crum, Historian: Ed Perry,  
Safety Tech: Steve Kessinger

The committee will continue to canvas members to hopefully fill the Secretary vacancy and perhaps add other additional individuals to the list of candidates.

Follow Mosquito road another 8 miles down into the South Fork American River canyon, over the single lane swing bridge, and back up the canyon through a series of four tight Alpine-style switchbacks. At the "T" intersection, watch for the NORCAL sign pointing Left. At the next "T" intersection, watch for the NORCAL sign pointing Right. Another 1,000 feet, turn left into the Cafe Parking lot.

To get there from CA-193, the Rock Creek Rd. turn-off is approx. 3 miles from the intersection of CA-49, and 11.5 miles from Georgetown. Follow Rock Creek Rd. approx. 10 miles to the top. Watch for the NORCAL sign at the Rock Creek Cafe parking lot on the left.

The campground entrance is to the left of the Cafe. Both routes are paved all the way.

GPS coordinates for the Cafe are: N38 47.800 - W120 45.050

Finnon website is [www.finnonrecreationarea.com](http://www.finnonrecreationarea.com)

Questions, call me at 530-642-2333 or email [tuco@internet49.com](mailto:tuco@internet49.com)

See you here.

-- Tom "Tuco" Harris

Your vote matters! Please plan to attend and support the entire club membership by partaking in the electing of leaders who:

Welcome input from the members at our meetings.

Know how to build teams and delegate responsibility.

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To nominate yourself or another member, please send an email to Mike Morlin or anyone on the BOD. Mark your calendar, Saturday, June 27, see you at Finnon Lake!

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 Don Condon 5 Years  
 Bill Hall 10 Years

Wendy Kessler 5 Years

David LaPoint 5 Years  
 Ed Perry 10 Years  
 Roger Rapp 5 Years  
 Ron Suydam 5 Years  
 Laurent Vailly 5 Years  
 Roger Vandeventer 5 Years  
JULY  
 Steven Palmer 15 Years

## AUGUST

Bruce Buxton 35 Years  
 Fred Pravda 30 Years  
 Neil Talbert 10 Years  
SEPTEMBER  
 Brian Goetz 5 Years  
 Linda Opp 20 Years  
 Wayne Opp 20 Years

## OCTOBER

Don Alexson 5 Years  
 Carmen Vailly 5 Years

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## DECEMBER

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by Buddy Scauzzo

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Description of problem:

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Above: Tour Captain Ted Crum gives 10 year membership pins to Bill Hall and David Opheim

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Meals are limited to first 250 registrants so pre-register please!

Contact: Michael McPeak (604) 438-3954 or email [nakusprally2015@beeceebeemers.com](mailto:nakusprally2015@beeceebeemers.com)

Join us!



## GS GIANTS:

Upcoming GS Giants Stampede, 19-21 July in Sheridan, WY. The Giants will have their event and then head to the BMW MOA National Rally in Billings, MT. The Stampede's event coordinator, Tracy Novacich, has invited our group to attend. He has come to many 49er rallies.

The GS Giants will be holding their annual rally before the Rally (The BMW MOA rally) and it will be held in the Big Horn mountains near Sheridan, WY from July 19-22. Then they will all move to the MOA rally in Billings, MT, where the fun continues with our track competition, training opportunities, seminars, and more great riding.

A video of a past event which really illustrates what this is about. It's a ton of fun for a low price.

Here is the link to their website for the 2015 event:

<http://www.gsgiants.com/#!events2015/c9ty>

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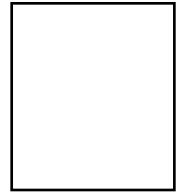
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## COMING EVENTS

*Information in this issue.*

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| <b>June 27</b>      | <b>Election Meeting &amp; Camping</b> -- Finnon Lake   |
| <b>July 18</b>      | <b>Meeting &amp; Camping</b> -- Oh Ridge on June Lake  |
| <b>August 29</b>    | <b>Meeting &amp; Camping</b> -- Emigrant group camp -- Stampede Reservoir in Tahoe National Forest |
| <b>September 26</b> | <b>Meeting &amp; Camping</b> -- Hornswoggle group camp -- Bullards Bar Reservoir                   |
| <b>October 24</b>   | <b>Oktoberfest</b> -- Rancho Seco Park   |
| <b>December 5</b>   | <b>Meeting &amp; Camping</b> -- Rancho Seco or Plaskett Creek T.B.D.                               |

*blue/bold items are Norcal events. All events in California unless otherwise stated.*