

NorCal Voyagers Newsletter

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NCVC Newsletter

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We're especially interested in doing personal stories about our members. You don't have to go into a lot of detail, but knowing a bit about our members goes a long way towards a more enjoyable friendship. Get those pictures, campfire stories, and humorous biking experiences out and send them off to the editor for the next newsletter!

Useful Internet Links

Northern California Voyagers Club

<http://www.norcalvoyagers.org>

American Voyager Association (AVA)

<http://www.amervoyassoc.org/>

American Motorcycle Association (AMA)

<http://www.ama-cycle.org/>

This Month...

Ray Walls Classic Fall Tour (CanyonLands)

Next Month...

EVENT: RALLY (9/11-9/13)

Humboldt River Ranch Rendezvous, NV



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Club Info and Activities

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

By Don Medina, NCVV President

Ok, this is a late newsletter. After getting home from the Rally and the Club meeting on July 25, Trisha and I had out-of-town company for a week. Being a tour guide is hard work, I have never been in so many museums. What made it hardest is that on the last day of our ride from the Rally in Vacaville on I-80, I tucked the front end of my Voyager. I was in the middle lane following too close, my speed was 68 mph. The car in front of me braked hard and so did I. I applied the front brake so hard that I locked up the front wheel. This was a freshly paved road (the night before) and the temp was mid 90s, so the oil had come to the surface. As the bike was going down I put my foot down at the same time that I released the front brake. I was able to save myself from falling, but I hurt my leg. Boy it hurts, the bruise extended from my groin to my calf. So since the company left all I have done is sleep and today I can finally think.

This coming Friday 21, August is the Ray Wall Classic departing from Fallen. For more information call either Roger Allen or Dale Bird, the club Activities Director.

September 11-13 is the Humboldt River Ranch Rendezvous. This is in Nevada, mile marker #129 on Interstate 80

October 2-4 is the Half Moon Bay Campout. Two days of great riding in San Mateo County.

The AVA Rally was a great success for the NorCal Voyagers. We had 10 members in attendance and one guest. Those that went were Tony Curtis, Michele Smith, John DeMuri, Wayne Bright, Sandra Bright,

her guest Eleanor, Tom Chitwood, Bill Burns, Fritz Wells, Trisha Blue and me, Don Medina. We had seven Voyagers and one Goldwing. In Gallup we were joined by Bill and Bernadette Overton also riding a Voyager

At the meeting we had two new members in attendance, Lisa Nichols and Ernie Coughlin. They ride a 2009 1700 Voyager. Welcome aboard!

Jeff and Diane Komoto are new members, they are going on the Ray Wall Classic. So everyone on the Classic will meet them. Fred Andrew was the club member that steered them to NorCal, welcome Aboard.

July was our 9th anniversary as the NorCal Voyagers Club. I would like to say thank you to Ray Walls and all of you who were charter members. Happy Anniversary!

The date for the Christmas party is December 12, 2009 at the Moose Lodge in Fresno CA.

2009 Events

SUMMER:

Aug 23 to Sep 1: 1st Annual Ray Walls Classic Fall Tour - Canyon Lands

Fall:

Sept 11-13: Humboldt River Ranch Rendezvous

Oct 2-4: NorCal Half Moon Bay Ride-In

DECEMBER:

Dec 12: Annual Christmas Party at the Fresno Moose Lodge

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CLUB MEETING – July 25

By Trisha Blue, NCVC Secretary

The meeting was held at Perko's Restaurant in Manteca. Meeting was called to order by President Don Medina at 1105.

Members in attendance: Trisha Blue, (Treas), Don Medina (Pres), Bill Burns, Betty Burns, Brian Coldicott, Tony Curtis, Gail Curtis, Bryce Eichholz, Shirley Deatherage, Marvin Deatherage, Fred Andrew, John DeMuri, Wayne Bright, Sandra Bright, Ernie Coughlin and Lisa Nichols.

A big welcome to new members Ernie Coughlin and Lisa Nichols.

Minutes from last meeting were read by Trisha Blue.

Treasurers Report: Read by Wayne Bright. We had no bills. Current balance \$4000+.

Activities report led by Don Medina in absence of Activities Director, Dale Bird. 10 of us that attended the AVA Rally in Santa Fe. Each attendee gave a summary their rally experience. The Ray Walls Classic is August 21-September 1, 2009.

Our next campout is Sept 11-13 to Humboldt River Ranch in Nevada. We also have the Half Moon Bay Ride-In Oct 2-4. See President's message for details.

Meeting was adjourned at 1220.

Submitted by Trisha Blue

Rally Highlights



Barstow, CA on the way to Santa Fe



Don Medina's bike in Sedona, AZ



Wayne Bright at coffee stop on I40

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Riders' meeting Gallup, NM



Bike Show Tues night with nice sunset



Santa Fe Skies- all campgrounds should be this nice



Nice view of a Voyager in New Mexico



Bill Burns at the pre-rally dinner in Madrid, NM



Breakfast on Friday before we all head home

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Tony Curtis packing for the trip back home

HELP: NCVC WEB SITE

By Jim Tinlin, NCVC Web Administrator

As Don Medina indicated in the "Presidents Letter" last month, we need a replacement for the Web Site Administrator (I hate the term 'Webmaster'). We have copies of all the newsletters on the club web site (<http://www.norcalvoyagers.org>).

Due to changes in my work environment and family commitments, I have less time on my hands than I used to and I feel uncomfortable with the quality of the product I am providing to the club. I hate to see these services just "phoned in" and would like to see a better job done by someone that has the time and desire.

Also, do you have some 'web' savvy? Have you been dying to show off your computer skills, or just want to help out? We are also looking for someone to take over the Web Site Administrator duties. Presently I maintain the current club web site (<http://www.norcalvoyagers.org>) and update it with events, newsletters, and things of interest to our membership.

Help is needed, please step up and give something back to the club. I've been very

lucky to have had the opportunity over the last few years to help in these activities but I have so many other irons in the fire that I can't provide the service that the club needs...so let Don Medina know that you are willing to help.

Thanks for the opportunity to let me assist in this capacity over the past few years and I look forward to turning over the keys to anyone that is interested in helping out.



Jim & Mary Tinlin at 2007 Christmas Party

A BIG thank you to Jim for his years of work on the NCVC newsletter & web site

First Annual Ray Walls Fall Tour Hello, Northern California Voyager Club Members,...

I have set up a Tour of the Utah Canyon Lands and Grand Canyon & Route 66 thru Arizona & Calif.

Is there any interest in this Tour ??,... If so let me know

There are two versions,... Each has a Motel page and a separate Route Page

I will send the Motel page,.. then later the Route Page

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1. From Fallon through Utah,.. spending 2 nights at Zion & 2 Nights in Moab,.. giving us time to Tour the area,... Then Heading down past Mexican Hat and Monument Valley to Cameron,... With the next day a Tour of Grand Canyon, and on to Kingman, then follow route 66 to To Oatman & Needles, on to Amboy, ending up in Barstow,... The next day head for Home.

2. **Modified** - Following the same route,.. except,.. I have Toured Grand Canyon several times recently,... SOoo,.. I plan to leave Cameron on Sunday 8/30,.. When others head towards Grand Canyon,.. I will head north through the Marble Canyon area,.. Navajo Bridge,.. and Lee's Ferry,.. Then back thru Zion and into St. George for the night. Then north Monday 8/31 to SLC to visit relatives,.. and stay thru the Labor Day Weekend.

Ride Safe,.. Roger Allen

Contact Roger Allen for details

Humboldt River Ranch Rendezvous

All camping is free I have reserved Three Cabins, Two RV sites w/hookups, and Three tent sites.

The Cabins have a Queen bed, Sofa, Table and Chairs, AC and Heater, Microwave, Coffee Maker, Small Refrigerator. You have to bring your own bedding. The Sofa is a sleeper and two people can sleep there so Cabins can sleep four people.

The RV sites have water and electricity they are large enough for us to have Three of our Popup Trailers in each site.

The Tent sites have a wonderful view to the west and best is that each site is sand so no hard rocks, with grass all around.

The bath house had three showers each for woman and men.

Community Building has a full kitchen, refrigerator, dining table (seats 8), two pool tables, TV room, veranda around half of the building. With many picnic areas, plus one large covered picnic area.

This is located in Northern Nevada on Interstate 80 mile marker #129. Twenty miles north of Lovelock NV and Fifty miles west of Winnemucca NV this is a long way from Half Moon Bay 350 miles.

I would like to save the Cabins for those of us that don't have trailers or tents, or that can't camp. So please call or email



Cabin at Humboldt River Ranch



Trailer sites with view

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View of the resort



Tent sites

Half Moon Bay Campout October 2,3,4

Location: Half Moon Bay, Ca.

Address: Half Moon Bay State Beach
95 Kelly Avenue
Phone 650 726 8819
www.parks.ca.gov

I spoke to the rangers and asked how many people, trailers and tents we could put in each campsite and the cost.

Trailers three max per site and you cannot have any brace or wheel off the paved area.

Tents NO limit. Can be set up on the grass.

Number of people per site: 8

Parking all vehicles have to be within the boundaries of the site. They cannot block the roadway. The park has overflow parking nearby.

Cost: \$25.00 per night, per site one vehicle (includes motorcycle). Each extra vehicle or motorcycle will cost \$7.00 per day.

For members with motor homes, if you are towing a trailer with a motorcycle on trailer, I forgot to ask if you would have to pay extra. Answer will be forthcoming.

The more people that attend, the lower the cost. Motor home campers can get campers with tents to share the site to lower the cost for you.

If you have any QUESTIONS call me. 650 560 0190 or email
bluemedina@sbcglobal.net

This is summer time here on the coast. The temps will be the warmest of the year, with mild nights. So make you plans come ride San Mateo County you will have fun. You and the Wife don't want to camp. Heck we even have Hotels, Motels and B&Bs so come there's great weather, shopping, and EATING.

When on the coast remember to dress in layers. So bring some warm clothes.

Here is a link lodging in Half Moon Bay:

<http://www.hmbwineandcheese.com/visitors.php>

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2009 Club Events Calendar

JAN 31 – Meeting: Manteca (11AM)	FEB – VACANT	MAR 28 – Meeting: Manteca (11AM)
APR 17/18/19 – Camping: Basalt	MAY 8/9/10 – Susanville Ride MAY 23 – Meeting: Manteca	JUN 6 – Coming Home Party for Uncle Ray
JUL 14-16 – AVA Rally (Rally Tour departs July 10) JUL 25 – Meeting: Manteca (11AM) 9 th Year	AUG 23 to Sep 1 – 1 st Annual Ray Walls Classic Fall Tour – Canyon Lands	SEP 11-13 – Humboldt River Ranch Rendezvous SEP 26 – Meeting: Manteca (11AM)
OCT 2-4 – NorCal Half Moon Bay Ride-In	NOV 28 – Meeting: Manteca (11AM)	DEC 12 – NCVC Christmas Party Fresno Moose Lodge

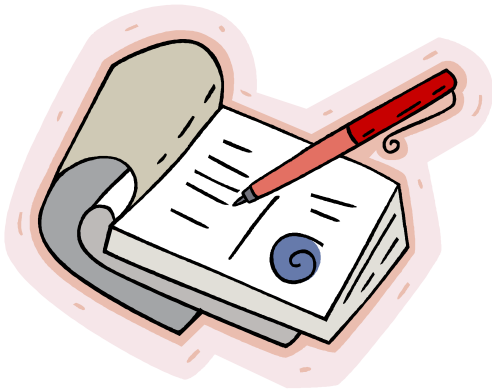
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And finally...

Thanks for reading the NorCal Voyagers Newsletter. We appreciate the input from the club membership and hope you enjoy this newsletter. If you have any comments, additions, corrections, articles, submissions, please send them along to: editor@norcalvoyagers.org



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Name 1 _____ E-Mail Address _____ Birthday _____
Name 2 _____ E-Mail Address _____ Birthday _____
Address _____ Phone Number _____ Anniversary _____
State _____ Zip Code _____

Number Joining the Club (check one): 1 [] 2 []

Mail Application and Payment (\$10 for 1 member / \$15 for 2 members) to:
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