

# NorCal Voyagers Newsletter

June 2005



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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

Here are some web pages that may be useful to our club members:

Northern California Voyagers Club

<http://www.norcalvoyagers.org>

American Voyager Association (AVA)

<http://www.csonline.net/cybersite/american.htm>

American Motorcycle Association (AMA)

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

## This Month...

**EVENT 6/11-12**

Fresno to Cedar Grove Tour

**CLUB MEETING 6/25**

Monthly Meeting in Los Banos



## Next Month...

**EVENT 7/19-21**

AVA Rally in Durango, Colorado

**CLUB MEETING 7/23**

Monthly Meeting in Los Banos

*{See the Web Site for details}*

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## Club Info and Activities

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello NCVC members & Friends. Here it is June already and it doesn't seem that we have accomplished very much this year. We've had one camp out, a tour of the Corbin seat factory, a ride on the Clearlake Queen. Now for this month we have a ride to Cedar Grove, which is way back into the back of Kings Canyon. The Kings River is really flowing right now. Or I should say roaring. For those of you that have never been back into that part of the canyon; you have been missing the most grandeur of the park.

I would like to apologize to all of you for messing up the May meeting. Jim had it down as May the 21st and ole dumb ass me had to change it to the 28th, knowing full well it was the memorial weekend. But I did forget about that. I guess when you are retired and everyday is a holiday you seem to forget. So please forgive me. In the future if you see I have messed up, please get on my case about it.

It seems as though May just wasn't our month. I'm sure most if not all of you know of Doris Brubakers' passing. She was killed in an automobile accident up in Auburn on Friday the 13th of May. We were holding up the departure of the Clearlake Queen, waiting for Don & Doris; when we found out about it. Needless to say we didn't have a very enjoyable cruise. Everyone had a very heavy heart.

Doris was laid to rest on Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup>. A lot of our members showed up for the memorial service. Which I must say was done very professionally. The Auburn police department supplied a chaplain and

an assistant to help with the services. We will all miss her greatly. She was considered as the clubs sweetheart. Her and Don made almost every event the club has had. She was a real trooper I have seen her at campouts when she was so sick it would have been easier to just roll over a die. But not Doris, she was there no matter how she felt. I have seen her so cold her hands & feet were blue, but do you think she would give it up? Nope not Doris, she was there no matter what. We will miss her beautiful smile and her good natured ness. We all wish her God's speed and his blessings.

Our June meeting will be on the 25<sup>th</sup>; this time I checked the schedule to make sure I was right. We will be heading for the AVA rally in Durango in July. From the count I have, we only have 6 members going to the rally. I would have thought we would have more than that; but I guess some of you just aren't into riding in the hot July weather. Can't say as I blame you, I'm not a real big fan of the heat either, but my desire to go to the rally kind of supersedes my dislike for the heat.

I would like to remind everyone that we do have new flags, royal blue or black. The price is \$12.00 if I bring it to the meeting or \$13.00 if I mail it out to you. They are 8" x 12" and made from a nice material. You can see them on our web site. We also have tee shirts on sale \$5.00 off the regular price, ball caps too. And then we have the new polo shirts too you can view the prices on the web or contact me and I will send you a price list. Hope to see at least some of you for the June ride. The information is enclosed in this copy of the news letter. Cheers. *Sincerely; Uncle Ray.*

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## RIDE TO CEDAR GROVE

June 11, 2005

The Nor Cal Voyagers Motorcycle Club is hosting a day ride to beautiful Cedar Grove in Sequoia/Kings Canyon National Park. If you have never been to Cedar Grove, you must not miss this ride. It is one of the most spectacular rides in the state. You will travel up in elevation to approximately 7,000 feet then back down into the beautiful Kings River gorge, one of the deepest in the United States. You will be surrounded by peaks exceeding 13,000 feet.

You will see redwoods 275ft tall and 103 feet around. Visit Boyden Cave, if you wish, and marvel at the rapids of the Kings River. Take time to stop and reflect in Zumwalt Meadows, the "end of the road".

The ride is 85 miles, one way and will start, 8:00 AM at Denny's Restaurant in Fresno, at Blackstone and Shields. Gas is available in the park. However, I am sure it is expensive, so we will stop at Clingan's Junction, approximately half way to the

park, for anyone who needs to top off their tanks. A small market and snack bar is located in Cedar Grove for lunch.

Cedar Grove it's self, is not actually located in the park, but you have to go through the Park to get to it. Because of this, the National Park fee is \$20.00 unless you have a Golden Age or annual park pass to get in free. If you stay until Sunday, Ray will take anyone who wants to go, to the Underground Gardens located in Fresno.

If you wish to come into Fresno the night before and/or want to stay Saturday night, the following hotels have been located in the area.

### Best Western Village Inn

3110 N. Blackstone, Fresno

Blackstone and Shields Aves.

559-226-2110 or 800 722-8878

Rates	1 person	2 persons
AAA/AARP	\$57.00	\$61.00
	\$51.00	\$55.00

### Days Inn

4061 N. Blackstone Ave., Fresno

Blackstone near Ashlan Ave:

559-222-5641

### Motel 6

4245 N. Blackstone Ave. Fresno

Blackstone north of Ashlan

559-221-0800

	\$49.99	+\$6.00
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Any questions, contact Ray Walls or Bob Joyner

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## AUGUST 2005 EVENT

Hello NCVV members & friends. Want to remind you that we do have a camp out on 8-13 through 14, at San Simeon state park, The Washburn area, up on the hill away from the crowd. These are primitive sites; no hook ups, no showers, they do however have flush toilets and water through out the area. I have reserved two sites for tents & tent trailers.

Those of you who plan to attend this event should make your reservations now; Reserve America.com tells me they don't have very many sites left. I can put up to 8 people on each of my sites and 8 tents or tent trailers or cargo trailers. If you want to use one of my sites you need to let me know ASAP. Those with trailers or motor homes will have to make your own reservations. You can use the web site above or call 1-800-444-7275. Those of you who are not members of the NCVV are more than welcome to join us, especially the IBMC members in our area. Cheers.  
Uncle Ray

## AVA RALLY – JULY 19-21

If you are planning on riding to the AVA Rally in Durango this year, we have mapped travel plans, in case you wanted to ride with a group.

Contact **Ray Walls** if you are interested in joining the group for the trip from Northern California and **Jim Tinlin** from Southern California.

## NORCAL VOYAGERS FLAGS

Hi guys.  
Here's a picture of our new flags. They are made of a light weight material and sewn inside out to keep them from unraveling. We have a sleeve sewn in the end to allow for mounting on the flag poles. They are 8"x10" up to the sleeve, or 8"x11" counting the sleeve.

I don't have a price on them just yet. But I'm sure they will run around \$15.00 + or - a dollar or two. Right now I have 6 black & 9 blue. I only ordered 10 of each; since the other ones didn't sell well.

Cheers. **Uncle RAY**



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## June 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11 EVENT: Fresno to Cedar Grove
12 EVENT: Fresno Underground Gardens	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 MEETING: Los Banos
26	27	28	29	30		

### 2005 Events Calendar

JAN – Death Valley Campout	FEB – VACANT	MAR – Basalt Campgrounds
APR – Corbin Seat Factory Tour	MAY – Cruise Clear Lake Queen	JUN – Cedar Grove/Fresno
JUL – AVA Rally Durango, CO	AUG – Washburn Campgrounds	SEP – Corning Ranch Campout
OCT – Death Valley Campout	NOV – VACANT	DEC – Christmas Party

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## OTHER MOTORCYCLE STUFF

*As the web site janitor and newsletter editor, I sometimes get 'interesting' solicitations from other motorcycle related individuals. Here's one regarding an internet based company that has offered our club a discount if I put their link on our web site (which I did, see details at the end of this info).*

My name is Lisette with Hot Stuff 4 Cool People. We would like to exchange links with you. We have many customers throughout California (and across the nation) who may be interested in your club (and any events you may be promoting) and we would welcome the opportunity to send traffic your way, in return to a link and/or banner back to our site. We are a typical small southern California motorcycle vendor and we recently got our little business up on line (though we still go out and do some motorcycle & car show events). We have a lot of fun motorcycle clothing and other motorcycle-related items that we think the members of your club might enjoy.

We are a very biker friendly site and we love everybody who rides on two wheels. In addition to the link exchange, we would be happy to offer you and the members of your club a 10% discount on all orders as long as we are linking to each other. Below, you will find the details for our site. If you agree to the link exchange, let me know and I'll get your link up on my site (usually within 24 hours) and I'll generate & send back to you a special coupon code for 10% off any order, of any size, to be used again and again, by you and your members.



<http://www.hotstuff4coolpeople.com>

**Description:** Awesome shirts, hats, leather, lingerie, bikinis, dresses, purses, pins, patches, stickers, belts & buckles, wallets, road bells, head wraps, halter tops, vest extenders, boot chains, motorcycle tool bags, Hair Gloves, Doggles, posters, with themes that include flames, Christian bikers, leopard prints, pirate designs, obnoxious expressions, iron cross, skulls, Corona beer, military, Americana and more, for bikers, hot-rodders, surfers, and others who like to live life on the wild side.

P.S. We also do screen printing, embroidery and promotional printing. So, if you need any shirts, hats, mugs, mouse pads, etc. with your logo, just let me know, I'd be happy to help you out. ☺

I have created Coupon Code: **NCVC10** for you and your members. Just use **NCVC10** at the time of checkout and it will take 10% off any order of any size.

We have a ton of "motorcycle" items. Yeah, some of it might look like "Harley" stuff, but we're much to cheap to pay the Harley licensing fees, hence I'd like to think that we can offer better prices than the Harley only sites, and, we can appeal to a wider audience. We honestly don't care what people ride, as long as they are getting along and having fun. ☺

**We maintain a bunch of motorcycle related web links on our web site. Just go to:**

[www.norcalvoyagers.org](http://www.norcalvoyagers.org)

**and click on the 'Web Links' button on the left side of the screen. This will take you to a menu that lists a number of general groupings for web links. The one above is listed in the 'Clothing' section.**

**Feel free to pass along links that you feel would be helpful to other club members.**

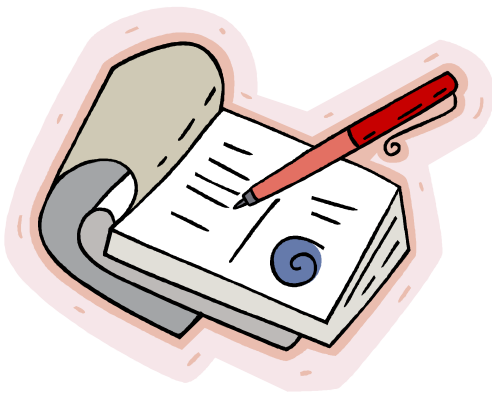
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## The Last Page

### 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](mailto:editor@norcalvoyagers.org)



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Please use this Application Form to join the club

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:  
Wayne Bright / 2149 Gibson Avenue (Louis, Ca. / 93611-0698