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Fellow Riders,

The mallow blooms profusely with Hondas desert test track off in the distance as I approach the Jawbone Store. Headed to Winnemucca, host of the Runnamucca Rally I can almost hear the roar of American Thunder. Enuf of this tweet'n and contextual meanderings....

Woke up a couple of Sundays ago and decided to try riding with the mythical cast of canyon carvers on sportbikes that assemble at the Miramar. I was suprised to find a mixture of bikes that included a Ducati, several Beemers, a Guzzi, a KTM, and a wide displacement range of Nippon dirtbikes. So much for expectations, the group that included James Chen was headed for the Carrizo Plain via Hwy 33 to commune with the wildflowers.

Once again I was confronted with the cruel facts that both my skills and nerve as a rider, along with my luxobarge RT12 are no match for experienced riders, as I was quickly left behind the Alpha group on Hwy 150. Swallow your pride Cy and ride your own ride.

I told James in Ojai that I would probably ride only as far as Wolf's Grill, where I stopped and proceeded to encounter several interesting groups of riders that included The British Dozen, The Trio of Monsters, and in Wheeler Gorge on the return, a beached School of Calamari attending to a downed rider that overcooked a corner.

It was a wonderful morning of being humbled, recording images of a 82 R100RT turned into a retro-cafe rat, the Brits swearing F this & F that, the purple Ceanothus, and happening upon an embarrassed squid whose fellow riders were righting his downed steed that had crashed moments before.

Signing off live from the Longhorn Bar in Lovelock Nevada.

Cy Madrone

P.S. See, evaluate and execute!

SBBMWRiders meet every 3rd Monday of the month at Sizzler @ 5555 Hollister Avenue in Goleta (Hollister & Kellogg) Dinner is around 6:00 PM and the meeting starts around 7:30.

Next meeting: Apr. 12th.



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Ed's Turn

Well, I did it again. I bought a Honda CRF230F. It is titled and plated now in Colorado. I dragged my wife with me to Phoenix to pick it up on one of my usual mad dashes across state lines. She's put up with me for 28 years, what's another road trip? Did I mention it was on our anniversary? Soooooooo, the CRF is currently red but by the end of the week, it will become a Johnny Cash fan. This time I have to use a lot of self control. I cannot add a bunch of gadgets to transform this bean pole into a porker. Not that it's a power-house but it will take you to the most remote locations somewhat comfortably. I NEED to explore the single track trails of Colorado and this bike will take me there. Ride on. Jim.



Join BMW riders and friends at the Mariposa County Fairgrounds, Mariposa California.

Memorial Day Weekend, May 27-31, 2010

We have a weekend packed with motorcycle activities:

Tech Seminars on throughout the week including:

- There and Back with GPS - Lee Blake
- Desert Riding - Wynne Benti
- Yosemite- Jeff Evans
- Alaska - Wynne Benti

Plus:

- Asphalt Trials
- English Trials
- Poker Run
- Bier Garten
- Concours
- Vendors
- Lots of green grass camping
- and great Sierra riding!g!



Saturday BBQ- be sure to include that in your registration. You must pre-register for dinner!

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Rossi wins Qatar **in season opener.**

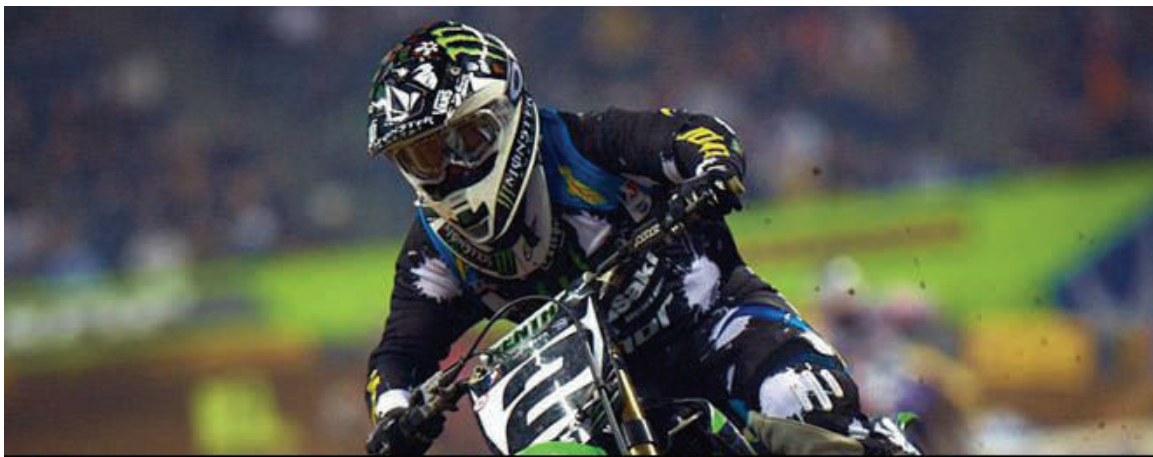
World SBK

BMW & Corser score a fourth

place in Race 1 in Valencia, Spain.



Haslam takes first race as Haga wins the second.



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