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July BBQ Thursday, July 21st

For our July club meeting, we will be having our annual July BBQ instead of a meeting on Monday. We will gather at Rocky Nook Park, 610 Mission Canyon Road, Santa Barbara, at around 5:30 p.m. The Club will provide meat for barbecuing, plates and utensils. Members are to bring side dishes to share: appetizers, salads, desserts, etc. Bring your libations of choice. Show up with a hearty appetite and tales of your latest motorcycle escapade (or perhaps, escape, depending on your riding style).



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Steve and Fran's Adriatic Amble

Club member Steve and his wife Fran rode on a tour of Croatia, Bosnia, and Montenegro. It was a 2-week trip, about 3000 km, with beautiful scenery, friendly locals, and lightly-traveled roads. They booked the tour through Beach's Motorcycle Adventures, Ltd, and Steve thought very highly of the tour company and the tour itself. The description on the website makes the tour sound very appealing!

[Beaches Adriatic Tour](#)

Walkabout 2016

David Hamilton

Here is a trip that I did the week of June 5th, 2016. This is the full collection of the daily posts.

Route: Santa Barbara, Mariposa, Auburn, Chico, Ferndale, Sausalito, Santa Barbara.

In general, the major roads were 101 > 41 > 49 > 89 > 70 > 32 > 36 > 101 > 1 > 128 > 101 > 1 > >68 > 101.

Various side roads were always beckoning.

Day 1: The plan was to find Highway 41 and go straight up to Oakhurst. Major accident north of Fresno changed that. Mariposa is perfect.

P.S. Very good Mexican food in Fresno at Chili's Grill and Bar, next time you just happen through.

Yes, it was HOT today.



Mariposa

SB BMW Riders Calendar

- ❖ Thursday, July 21st: Club Summer Picnic at Rocky Nook Park. See Page 1 for details.
- ❖ Monday, August 15th: Club meeting at Cody's Café, 4898 Hollister Avenue, Goleta, CA. Come at around 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. for dinner and stay for the 7:30 p.m. meeting.
- ❖ Monday, September 19th: Club meeting at Cody's Café, 4898 Hollister Avenue, Goleta, CA. Come at around 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. for dinner and stay for the 7:30 p.m. meeting.
- ❖ Any other activities or rides scheduled? Let me know! djkrohn@cox.net

Day 2: Great back roads, Mariposa to Murphys.

The route is Mariposa, 49 north, to Coulterville, J132 north to 120 south to 49 north, to Columbia, E18 to 4 to Murphys. Another hot day, but that seems to be normal.

Almost empty reservoir.





Downtown Volcano

Day 3: Highway 70 might be the gold standard for a motorcyclist. If you know 33, this is smoother and longer; 60 miles of trees, river, and trains that cross over you several times.

Now in Chico. Hot this afternoon, used the evaporative vest, does help keeping you cool.



This is in a small restaurant in a very small town, Loyalton. Wood rims, friction brake on front tire .

Day 4: Two more great highways, 32 and 36. Highway 36 is 147 miles of curves, and make sure your full tank is topped off before you leave Red Bluff. If you are looking for straight roads, these are not!



No neighbors. Big ranches where 49 meets 70.



This is what Ferndale is all about. Lots of turn of the century buildings. No, that is not my room on the corner. (I'm across the street).

Day 5: Woke up to grey drizzly sky, wet. No hurry to get underway. Was planning on going the full length of Highway 1 to Sausalito, however after getting stuck behind two different old motor homes, with the worst exhaust, it time for plan B: Cut over to 101 and sail into Sausalito. Waiting for drier conditions, it was off to find a cappuccino. Behind the back wall of the coffee shop is this creative work place. www.truenorthboats.com



Fort Bragg once was a thriving lumber town. Boiled black coffee only; now it's cappuccino, please, art galleries, designer kitchen wares, shorts and flip flops.

There still a fishing Industry, although not as vibrant as it once was.



Day 6: Today's run was Sausalito to Carmel Valley. Friday traffic is the pits!

Rob Talbott's museum is almost ready for a public opening. A must stop if you are going to the Monterey peninsula.



Talbott Museum in Carmel

Day 7: So it's just a short run from Carmel to Santa Barbara down 101. Not very interesting.

Bob F. suggested stopping by, where? Meet me at the Paso Robles airport, ok. Wow. Old cars, hot rods and old airplanes, perfect.



Home now, 1945 mile walkabout.

AB 51 – Lane-Splitting Bill

California Assembly Bill 51 would re-affirm the California Highway Patrol's authority to issue lane-splitting guidelines for the state's roadways. This legislation recently passed the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee unanimously and is now scheduled for a hearing on June 27, 2016, in the Senate Appropriations Committee. Its current status is that it is still in the Appropriations Committee.

Whether you think this should be a law or not, read up on it:

[Cycle News Lane Splitting Bill](#)

Also of interest to us is UC Berkeley's Safe Transportation Research and Education Center (SafeTREC) report (PDF) on lane splitting:

[SafeTREC Lane-Splitting and Safety Report](#)

A summary of the report is on Berkeley News. Lane-splitting is relatively safe is the speed differential is 15 mph or less:

[Berkeley News Report Summary](#)

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Upcoming Events

- July 14-July 17: 2016 BMW MOA International Rally, Hamburg, NY. [BMW MOA Annual Rally](#)
- July 21-July 24: 44th Annual Cascade Country Rendezvous, Republic, WA. [Cascade Country Rendezvous](#)
- July 21-July 24: 45th Annual Top O' the Rockies, Paonia, CO. [Top O'the Rockies Rally](#)
- August 6: 17th Annual 100,000-Foot Ride, Morrison, CO. [100,000 Foot Ride](#)
- August 18-August 21: 17th Beartooth Rendezvous, Red Lodge, MT. [Beartooth Rendezvous](#)
- August 25–August 28: BMW 100th Anniversary, Monterey, Laguna Seca Raceway. [BMW 100th Anniversary](#)
- August 30-September 3: Curve Cowboy Reunion, Monterey, CA. [Curve Cowboy Reunion](#)
- September 9-September 11: 40th Anniversary R100RS Rider's Rally, Three Rivers, CA. [R100RS Rider's Rally](#)
- September 16-September 18: Autumn Beemer Bash, Quincy, CA. [Beemer Bash](#)
- September 23 – September 25: MOA Getaway, St. George, UT. [MOA St. George Getaway](#)