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Member News and Rides

Marten, Steve, Fran and Tanja were among the club's members who went to the Campo Alto campout. But—it was windy and cold! Too windy even for a campfire. Steve, Fran and Tanja went on to another campground near Lockwood Valley, Pine Springs Campground, that was a lower altitude, so it was not quite as cold. Steve reported that it was a nice campground although it did not have water or pit toilets (probably keeps out the riff-raff ☺). See pictures on Page 6.

Eddie went camping at San Francisquito Canyon. He experienced 40 mph winds on the way there, but once in the canyon, the wind died down. From there, he went to Antelope Valley/Highway 14, where there was more wind.

David H. attended the Doug Bingham Memorial Sidecar Rally in October, at William Hart Regional Park in Santa Clarita.

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“Motorcycle maintenance gets frustrating. Angering. Infuriating. That's what makes it interesting.”

— Robert M. Pirsig, *Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance: An Inquiry into Values*



October Topic: How Do You Sell Your Bike?

How do you sell your bike? Where do you list it? There are a lot of possibilities out there, including Craig's List, eBay, Nextdoor, BMW MOA, OfferUp, LetGo and ADV Rider. There is also the old-school technique of putting a "For Sale" sign on your bike.

Marten said that he was at a campout at Sequoia and mentioned there that he had a bike for sale. Hank has hired someone to sell some bikes; the seller takes a cut and sometimes parts the bikes out.

Many members mentioned using Craig's List, but with caution. Some said that they always talk to the potential buyer before the person comes to look at the bike. Some members have the buyer come to their house and others prefer to meet in a more public location.

Once you get a potential buyer to look at the bike, how do you manage the test ride? The consensus is that you hold the buyer's cash – but there can be a scam with the cash: Two guys come to look at the bike, you hold the cash, but then one guy says that the cash you have is not what he gave you. Suggested solutions: Take a picture of the cash; or videotape the money and the transaction; or put the cash in an envelope, seal it and have the seller and buyer sign the envelope on flap. Another possibility is to do the cash exchange at a bank or an institution

SB BMW Riders Calendar

- ❖ Monday, November 18: 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. Craig Jackson from Compass Expeditions Adventure Motorcycle Tours will be at this meeting to talk a little bit about motorcycle touring.
- ❖ Monday, December 16: Club Annual Christmas party in lieu of a monthly meeting. Tentatively to take place at Cy Madrone's house. We will have our usual wrapped gift exchange. More details TBD.
- ❖ Any other activities or rides scheduled? Let me know! djkrohn@cox.net
- ❖ If members want to do any pick-up rides, post them on the member email list: <https://www.sbbmwriders.org/>

such as AAA; however, these places are not open on weekends or in the evenings.

For long-distance sales, cashier's checks or PayPal are good options. A couple of members have done the "fly and ride" option for buying bikes far away from home. No problems were reported doing this.

Generally, though, most members indicated that they did not have problems nor did they run into scams while selling their bikes.

BMW MOA National Rally 2020

The BMW MOA national rally for 2020 will be in Great Falls, Montana. Because the rally dates have been moved up (from July to June), this rally will be June 25-28. The rally will be at the Montana ExpoPark, adjacent to the Missouri River. There will be grassy areas for tent camping and the usual vendor displays and exhibitions. Registration for the rally opens on January 1, 2020.

[BMW MOA Great Falls Rally](#)

California Senate Bill Resolution 63

California Senate Resolution 63, introduced August 26, 2019, is a bill concerning motorcycle profiling. In December 2018, the US Senate passed a resolution promoting awareness of motorcycle profiling across all 50 states. The CA senate has now taken up a bill to encourage "...collaboration and communication between the motorcycle community and local and state law enforcement agencies in engage in efforts to end motorcycle profiling." The bill also includes language that motorcycle profiling should be condemned in written policies and training materials.

[CA Senate SR 63](#)

Upcoming Events

- November 22-24: Progressive International Motorcycle Show – Long Beach, CA. The world’s largest consumer motorcycle show. [Progressive Motorcycle Show Long Beach](#)
- December 6-8: ADV Rider Polar Ride/Camp, Reyes Peak Campground (Camp Scheideck Rd.). [Polar Ride/Camp 2019](#)
- December 12-15: Aerostitch Pop-Up Event, Gateway Plaza, 125 Plaza Drive, Suite 405, Vallejo, CA.
- December 28-January 1, 2020: Last Chance First Chance Rendezvous #25, Agua Caliente Hot Spring Campground, San Diego, CA. [Last Chance First Chance Agua Caliente](#)

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Babes Ride Out #7, Santa Margarita Ranch

October 2019

By Phyllis Mlynek White

I recently had the pleasure of attending the Babes Ride Out #7 (BR07) Street gathering at the Santa Margarita Ranch on Oct 10, 11, 12. Babes Ride Out was started several years ago by a couple of women motorcycle riders from L.A. who wanted to get together with other women for riding, camaraderie, and campouts. From a handful of women the first year, fast forward to BR07 and a gathering of about 1500 women from all over California and many other states. This was my first BRO Street event. There is also a BRO Dirt event held in April at Hungry Valley Off Road Vehicle Area that I've attended twice, in 2017 and 2018. That event is a bit smaller with about 500 women. East coast gals wanted to join in so there are now Street and Dirt BRO events on the "right" coast. These events are truly women only. Men are not allowed on the grounds, other than vendors or other staff.

BR07 opened Friday at 10 a.m., so I went for a quick ride up the 101 / 154, arriving at the ranch in the early afternoon. I met Deborah Walker there as she had left much earlier in the morning. There were two camping fields, tents and RVs / trailers. Since I'm not really into

tenting in a hard dirt field, I opted to stay at the recently updated Motel 6 in Atascadero, about 15 minutes away. Deb stayed at a friend's house in Santa Margarita.

Onsite happenings included a Harley Davidson demo truck (staffed completely by women!) with a full line-up of bikes to test ride, a bike show & shine, some classes like welding and pin-striping, various vendors including Sena, clothing, Biltwell maps, food and coffee vendors, massages; and for the more adventurous, Slow and Low Whiskey tasting, 805 beer and even several tattoo artists. This was definitely not a BMW rally! On that line a large percentage of gals were riding Harley and metric cruisers, with a smattering of sport bikes, BMWs and trikes.

The Biltwell map folks had laid out several rides on local roads ranging from 70 to 120 miles. There was Morro Bay, Hearst Castle/San Simeon, Ragged



Point, Parkfield, and Pozo, or they would help plan anywhere else. The beach was very popular with the gals who don't see one very often and many headed to Pismo and Avila beaches. I decided to do the Parkfield route as I haven't been there in a long time. The route makers had chosen some fantastic twisty roads one of which (Hwy 229) was new to me. The road from Cholame to Parkfield was a sea of potholes, both filled and not; glad I have a GS for that one.



Stopped for lunch at the Parkfield Café with a few other BRO gals and a 20-person Porsche Club; the food was excellent. I then returned to the ranch by way of the Firestone Walker brewery and a couple samples. Finished up back at the ranch for a few evening festivities.

Sunday, I took the long way home by way of Hwy 41 to 46 over into the Central Valley to the 33 south to Taft for lunch and gas, then the 166 west to the 33 south into Ojai and home. This was a wonderful ride with very little traffic. The weather was beautiful the entire weekend with pleasant daytime temperatures in the low 80's and brisk nights dropping into the upper 30's.

I will definitely plan to return next year if possible.

Campo Alto and Pine Springs Camping

Photos by Steve



Yes, it was a little bit cold at Campo Alto!

Tanja and Fran at Pine Springs Campground

