



Our 1 Year Anniversary

February Ride - Solvang

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From the Rider's Seat

By Roy Hooper



Happy FIRST Anniversary! In December 2003 Craig Adams, owner of Cal Coast Motorsports, asked me if I wanted to start up the Cal Coast Riders Club. I thought about it for a few days because I knew it would be a big commitment and I already belonged to 3 clubs at the time and I would have to give up those clubs to run this new club. The big factor was that there was not an all-brand *club* on this side of the Conejo Grade and there were a lot of all-brand *bikes* on this side and they needed a club. So Craig and I met again and I said "Let's do it". The first person I asked to help me was **Diane Pinkerton** whom I met about 2 years ago and luckily she said yes. I put up flyers at Cal Coast Motorsports and over the next 4 months word got out and we had about 10 bikes show up at each ride. **Rick Bell** was at all those rides so I asked him if he would like to be Vice President, which he accepted. So **Rick** is helping us run the club as well.

We have been averaging 15 bikes a ride with people totaling 20. That is a good size because it is not too big to handle on the road. I was hoping to finish the year with at least 12 members but we currently have 22 and I thank all of you for joining our club. In the last 4 months we've had people like **Jerry & Mieko Purdy**, **Darcy & Debby Wersh**, **David Culton** and **Wendy Nyman** join that like getting involved with the club. They are the people that are making our club fun so the next time you see them take a moment to say "thanks". Now for STATS- We have Hondas, Yamahas, Kawasakis, Moto Guzzis and Suzukis. Of our 22 members 2 of them are female riders. 7 of our members have wives or kids that join us on the rides. Here are the members per city- Ventura- 6, Oxnard- 6, Camarillo- 4, Ojai- 2, Malibu- 1, Santa Barbara- 1, Newbury Park- 1, Santa Paula- 1. These are stats for our *membership* and does not include the non-members who regularly ride with us. Thanks again for joining the Cal Coast Riders Club, we are always open to suggestions and let's make the next year even better! And I want to say "THANKS" to **Dan Wilson** for supplying us with decorations for our bikes on the Toy Ride. Dan paid for this himself as a gift to the members. And to **Wendy Nyman** for making our Jan. 2005 newsletter. New members are **Joe Bartlett** and **Aaron Faria** who joined our club while on the Toy Ride. **CCR**

Toys for Tots Run - December 11, 2004

By Diane Pinkerton

We joined forces with the Gold Wing club at the Camarillo McDonald's Saturday morning. We grew to a pretty big group, many bikes with ribbons, toys and decorations on them. We rode up Santa Rosa Rd. and ended up at the custom motorcycle shop in Simi. Two hundred and fifty plus bikers congregated at the shop for breakfast and socializing. The owner of the shop, Armand, supplied pastries, coffee and homemade tamales for the large hungry crowd. What a great guy! Meanwhile, people loaded our donated gifts for the kids into trucks preparing to head to El Rio. Our member Dan brought ribbons and Christmas decorations for us to pretty up our bikes with. We were a nice looking group of bikes!

We all left Simi at 10 a.m. and headed toward the 101. We had people stopping traffic for us which was helpful because the traffic was pretty crazy heading north that morning. I personally had to perform an "evasive maneuver" because I was so busy waving to a little girl standing on the Rose St. overpass that I didn't see that Darcy, Debbie and the rest of our group had come to a dead stop right in front on me.

We finally rode into El Rio with neighborhood kids waving and people on sidewalks staring at us. 250+ bikes! What a sight! Some of those poor kids were so busy holding their camcorders and digital cameras that they could hardly hold up the Welcome signs for us!! When we pulled into the El Rio Elementary school parking lot, we were greeted by dozens of kids and teachers. They were very excited to see all the loud bikes and toys. After we mingled with the kids, everyone headed to the auditorium where there was a huge mountain of toys. The kids got to go up and pick two toys each and they seemed pretty happy about that.

After the excitement died down, we rode to Joe's Crab Shack in Ventura for a delicious, well-deserved lunch, served to us by none other than our Vice President Rick Bell's son! It was a great day and I think we all felt good about being able to give to the community. **CCR**



Christmas Party and Ride

By Roy Hooper

We have a ride and our Christmas Party planned for our Jan. 9 ride. If it is not raining we will ride through the Santa Monica Mtns and arrive at Jerry Purdy's house in Camarillo near Carmen and Ponderosa at *around* 1 pm. If you cannot make the ride but can make the party then just show up at Jerry's at 1. I will mail the directions to his house in my Wed. email.

If it rains we will still have our party at his house at 1 pm. If you want something to do in the morning we can go to Lazerstar on Daily Dr. at 10:30 and shoot each other until 12:45. Lazerstar is FUN and for all ages so give it a try or at least come down and see what it's all about. One game is \$6.50/person and I have a coupon that states "buy one mission and get one free. Good up to 4 free missions."

The Lasagna lunch is FREE to our members and one family member and \$5/person for non-members. You can join that day and get the free lunch plus your 15% Cal Coast Motorsports discount for only \$12.

We will need to know how much food to buy by Thursday so please let me know as soon as possible if you are attending the party.

We will have the gift exchange game for those that want to play. Just bring a wrapped gift under \$10 and see who ends up with it.

We really want to see all of you on the ride and the party and if it rains still come to the party. Jerry and Mieko have opened up their home to us so we hope to see you there on Sunday. **CCR**

CalCoast Riders 2005 Calendar of Events

1/9	Sunday	Santa Monica Mountains & Christmas Party
2/13	Sunday	Solvang
3/13	Sunday	Jalama Beach
4/8-10	Fri/Sat/Sun	Police MC Competition, Monterey
5/15	Sunday	Ride 4 Kids Brain Tumor, Ride Leader - Roy Hooper
6/12	Sunday	Fess Parker Winery, Los Olivos (Hwys 166 & 33)
7/10	Sunday	Pine Mountain Club
8/14	Sunday	The Deer Lodge, Ojai

Most rides **LEAVE at 9:00am** from Jack-in-the-Box on Victoria in Ventura. Rides are usually on the second Sunday of the month and you do not have to be a member to ride with us. Contact Roy Hooper if you would like to lead a ride...it's FUN!

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