



## October Ride - Monterey

## November Ride - Harley's Rock Inn

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### From the Rider's Seat

By Roy Hooper

Let's start off with our web site since that is the media that we turn to in between our rides. I can't stress enough how important it is to have the proper browser. Microsoft's Internet Explorer has been the *most used* browser since the start of the WWW but it certainly is NOT the *best* browser. More surfers (yes, that's you) are turning to other free browsers like Firefox.com or Opera.com. and I strongly suggest you get one of these ASAP. When you install your new browser it gives you the option of transferring your bookmarks which is a nice touch. SBC has a great price of only \$15/month for their DSL but their custom browser is based on Microsoft's Internet Explorer so SBC users will want to download the Firefox browser and use that to open up their SBC home page. And no matter which browser you use, don't forget to "refresh" or "reload" our CalCoastRiders.com site at least once a week. Visit Firefox.com to see other reasons why you don't want to use Microsoft's Internet Explorer.

Recently, while one of our members kept thanking me for putting their photo on our site, I recalled how thrilled I was back in 1996 when I first saw my photo on the WWW, for all the world to see. Since then, there are many photos of me and my bikes on the internet and I really don't think of it anymore. But when someone thanks me for posting their photo or when another rider approaches me and says "I saw you on the web" and starts telling my life story to me, I am reminded of what a thrill it was when I first saw my photo on the net and what a fantastic tool the internet is!

The next time you surf our site please email me at [webster@CalCoastRiders.com](mailto:webster@CalCoastRiders.com) and let me know what you like about it and what you don't like about it. Ride Safe and see you on the internet. **CCR**

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

It's time to renew your annual membership which expires in October and it's still only \$12. Please don't let your membership lapse otherwise you will not get the 15% discount for that period. Renewal is very simple, just make your check out to our Treasurer Diane Pinkerton and mail to:

CCR Membership 748 Hacienda Dr.  
Camarillo, CA 93012

### Protective Gear

By Roy Hooper

**Dave Culton** was in a slow speed accident recently that we could all learn from. It was a sunny day and he was making a turn at an intersection when his bike lost traction while riding over the big, painted, white arrow. He had road rash injuries to his leg where the asphalt grinded through his Levi's and he had no injuries to his toes as the asphalt grinded his leather boot all the way to the steel toe tip, which did its job.



And since he had no sliders, his bike was damaged on one side. So what does Dave want us to learn from this? Paint on the roadway *should* have a slightly rough finish so motorcycles can maintain their traction. But since this is not being done we have to make sure we

avoid the paint when possible, even during dry days. For years many riders, me included, have been under the false impression that Levi's will protect you from road rash. The road is a cheese grater and it will devour your Levi's- MC riding pants would solve this problem. Dave has these type of pants but was not wearing them that day and of course he regrets it. Had Dave not been wearing boots with steel toes tips his toes would be in very bad shape. Again, MC boots serve a purpose. After his incident I went to Cal Coast Motorsports to buy a pair but will try again when my size comes in. Other type of boots may have a slippery sole or a heel which you don't want so make sure you get MC boots.

To prevent some damage to the sides of a bike, sliders are mounted so they take the impact first when the bike is laid on its' side. It is cheaper to replace sliders than it would be to repair the bodywork. It is unfortunate when someone has an accident but we can turn it into a positive note by learning from it. If you have any tips or suggestions on protective gear send it to [webster@CalCoastRiders.com](mailto:webster@CalCoastRiders.com) for the our newsletter.



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## MONTEREY UPDATE

Motel 6 listed no longer has vacancies. However, the Econo Lodge has a few left. It is in the same vicinity as the Motel 6 (2042 Fremont, Monterey). Their phone number is 831-372-5851 if you'd like to make reservations. Visit [CalCoastRiders.com](http://CalCoastRiders.com) for the latest info.

## 2006 RIDES NEEDED

We need your suggestions for rides and places to eat lunch for next year. Currently we have NO RIDES listed for 2006 except for 3 charity rides which are *in addition* to our monthly rides. I need to know where YOU want to go. This could also be something that we went to this year and you want to go again. Our Road Captain Tim Bates will come up with a route, just let us know where you want to go and any other details. Remember, this is YOUR Club and we need YOUR input if we want to keep this a successful Club. [webster@CalCoastRiders.com](mailto:webster@CalCoastRiders.com)

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## CalCoast Riders 2005 Calendar of Events

10/9	Sunday	Getty Musuem/Devil's Punch Bowl--- You pick your ride
11/13	Sunday	Harley's Rock In in Leona Valley
12/?		Ventura County 5th Annual Toy Run

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!