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Member News and Rides

John Alexander, Steve and Fran, Bob Phinney, Dave Murchison and Kim Pulti (not a member but may be joining) rode to Ragged Point taking as many back roads as possible. They were able to ride as far as the new road block on Highway 1, about 8 miles south of Gorda.

Diane and **Wayne** attended the National BMW Rally in Salt Lake City. Their route was north on Highway 101 to Watsonville, then Highway 1 to just north of San Francisco – where a bike drop resulted in some necessary repairs, and a subsequent route change to 101 to get repair materials. Then 101 to 199 at Crescent City, with a stop at Medford, OR, to visit friends. Continuing north and east on 97 then 26 to John Day; from there on 86 and 71 through Hell's Canyon to McCall, ID. From there, 56 to Boise and then 20/26 to Arco. After that, it was just mostly I-15 to Salt Lake. Plenty of wonderful roads and scenery through Oregon and Idaho! There was also a bit of smoke to go through when we headed back home and went through Angels Camp to Sonora on Highway 49, due to the Detwiler Fire.

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Tech Day: Saturday October 14

Marten will be hosting an airhead tech day in Carpinteria on October 14. Contact Marten for information: marten@cox.net

Update on Road Closures

As of July 31, **Highway 1** remains closed from north of Salmon to just south of Gorda, due to the Mud Creek landslide. The 35 mile stretch just south of Gorda and south of Pfeiffer Canyon is still only accessible via Nacimiento-Fergusson. Businesses and campgrounds south of Pfeiffer Canyon Bridge are open but can only be reached via Nacimiento-Fergusson Road.

Estimated completion on the Pfeiffer Canyon Bridge is expected in mid- to late September.

Caltrans has released plans detailing its strategy for the re-building and re-opening of Highway 1 at Mud Creek. The new roadway will be realigned across the landslide and will be buttressed with a series of embankments, berms, rocks, netting, culverts and other stabilizing materials. Caltrans expects to have cost estimates and a timeline for the opening of this section by the end of August.

[Big Sur Blog Caltrans Update](#)

(The Mud Creek slide occurred on May 20, and released 5 million cubic yards of material!)

Angeles Crest (Highway 2) is still closed due to a sinkhole. The road is closed in both directions between Grassy Hollow Visitor's Center and State Road 39. It is an

SB BMW Riders Calendar

- ❖ Monday August 21st: Annual Club picnic, 5:00 p.m. at Rocky Nook Park, 610 Mission Canyon Road, Santa Barbara. The Club will provide tri-tip and chicken, along with watermelon and lemonade, as well as cutlery and paper goods. Please bring appetizers/snacks, sides, salads or desserts to share. Don't forget to bring your favorite wine or beer to share also. Veronica will be sending out an email to members with more details and to coordinate what people want to bring so there aren't too many duplicates.
- ❖ Wednesday September 13th: 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.

8-mile stretch. It has been closed longer than expected due to environmental studies. Caltrans hopes to have it open by August 8, but it will be open to one-way traffic control.

Note: Change to Club Meeting Day

Starting in September, the regular monthly meetings will now occur on the **Second Wednesday** of the month. We will still be meeting at Cody's Café, 4898 Hollister Avenue, Goleta; and at the regular dinner time of 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. and regular meeting start time of 7:30 p.m. The September meeting will be **Wednesday, September 13th**.

David's Latest Sidecar Adventure!

Nice things come in big boxes, too.

Photos by Chuck Beattie



BMW C evolution Electric Scooter Coming to California

BMW Motorrad USA will finally bring the C evolution electric scooter to the states. Initially only available in California as a pilot program, availability may be extended to other states if there's interest in the "urban mobility" electric two-wheeler. The US MSRP for the long-range version of the C evolution, which has a range of 99 miles, is \$13,750.

The C evolution will initially be introduced in the U.S. as part of a pilot program and will only be available in California at the time of launch. As interest in the C evolution builds, BMW Motorrad USA will expand this product offering to BMW Motorrad retailers in other states. It is the world's first electrically-powered large scooter.

A few of the standard features include:

- Three 115-150 V, 94 Ah lithium ion battery modules from the BMW i3: 12 battery cells per module
- Rated peak output = 48 hp / Max speed = 80 mph
- 53 lb-ft of immediate torque. 0-31 mph in 2.8 sec
- Standard ABS, Torque Control Assist (TCA), Reverse Assist, and 4 Ride Modes (Road, Eco Pro, Dynamic, and Sail).



Snowdrifts on Sonora Pass, which had just been opened.



Chuck's Travels Through the Sierras, June, 2017



How to Dump Your Bike in Three Easy Steps

- 1) Ride up a steep hill (in this case, Highway 1 just north of San Francisco);
- 2) Discover that said hill is closed to through-traffic and has a barrier;
- 3) Attempt to turn around bike on said steep hill.

Voilà !

(Note: No riders or passengers were harmed in the making of this instructional procedure. The bike, however, suffered some minor harm to the left turn signal, the Aeroflow windscreen/fairing had some of its nylon breakaway fasteners break, and the comm stopped working until Wayne tightened the battery connections. Our Rotopax water container also suffered minor damage and bled out copiously on the street.)

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Upcoming Events

- August 17-20: 19th Annual Beartooth Rendezvous, Red Lodge, MT. [Beartooth Rendezvous](#)
- September 8-10: MOA Premier Getaway, Sedona, AZ. [MOA Getaway Sedona](#)
- September 8-10: 33rd Annual Bavarian Mountain Weekend, Vadito, NM. [Bavarian Mountain Weekend](#)
- September 9-11: R100RS 40th Anniversary Rally and Gathering of the Tribes, Cove Group Campground, Three Rivers, CA. [Gathering of the Tribes](#)
- September 15-17: 32nd Annual Autumn Beemer Bash, Quincy, CA. [Beemer Bash 2017](#)
- September 22-24: 14th Thunder Mountain Rendezvous, Hotchkiss, CO. [Thunder Mountain Rendezvous](#)
- September 24: The Distinguished Gentleman's Ride, San Luis Obispo. Classic and vintage-style motorcycles unite for supporting the Movember Foundation. [Distinguished Gentleman's Ride](#)
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- September 28-October 1: Last Chance Camp-N-Ride, Oroville, WA. [Last Chance Camp-N-Ride](#)