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**Membership Meeting** 

Rand Olson

Stan Paolini

Sat Nov, 7th 8:00am Susie's Country Oaks Cafe 500-G Cirby Way Roseville

**Director's Meeting** 

Tues Nov 10th, 7:00 pm **IHOP** 2525 Iron Point Road Folsom

**Breakfast - Be There!** 

Every Saturday 8 am Susie's Country Oaks Cafe 500-G Cirby Way Roseville

#### Weds. Dinner Ride Meet between 5-6:30 pm

Leaves every Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm from The Coffee Republic in Folsom

#### The President's Corner

by Fred Jewell



It was another wonderful weekend at Manchester Beach, our annual final campout for the year, and the weather cooperated with us a bit more this time. Cool, but sunny with no rain or fog, which made for good riding or good relaxing, whichever you preferred. I think we had about 80 of us there, and we managed to feed them all plus the KOA help Saturday night! If you haven't been to this event yet, you owe it to yourself to come next year. The KOA is one of the nicest ones around, the riding there and back is some of the best in the state, Gordy had some excellent raffle prizes again, including a very generous gift certificate donated by Jim Douglas to his B&B in Mendocino, and of course there was plenty of food and camaraderie. Becki and I had a good time being the hosts this year, but now we're looking for some one to take it over for next year, so if you're interested, please come to the planning meeting Nov. 8.

I heard that the 5 passes ride was exceptional this year with perfect weather and beautiful fall colors, and a big turnout of RCBers. It was one of those ironic turns of events that had Jack Klauschie and Phil Wood leading a ride that Ken and I were supposed to lead, but Ken was under the weather and I double booked myself, heading to Utah and New Mexico that day. I'd like to thank Phil and Jack for stepping in and doing an excellent job, and just think, two days later the passes were closed due to the storm that hit! Rand and Chuck and I never got a drop of rain on us the entire trip to New Mexico and back, go figure. And who said you can't tour on a K1200S?

Randy Felice has asked me if the RCB is interested in participating in a toy run on Dec. 5 going to the Red Lion Inn at Arden Fair, presented by EuroSunday, and benefitting the local Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. It would involve an unwrapped child's gift and a ride from **A&S** at 10:30 am to the Red Lion after the December club meeting. I am looking for feedback from the membership so I can let Randy know of our participation. I think it's a good idea; we haven't had a toy ride in many years, and this one is already organized so all we have to do is show up with gifts, and it is a good cause. Being presented by EuroSunday means it should limit the involvement of those bikers who are busy saving lives with their open pipes, which would be a good thing. We should do this.

I mentioned the planning meeting earlier, and I would like to invite you to come out to Steve's Pizza in Elk Grove on Sunday, Nov. 8 at 4:00 PM, especially if you are ready to volunteer for an event, have an idea for a ride or destination, or just want to have some input on what we do for the year. Volunteers are always welcome, whether you've been with the club 20 years or 20 days, and if you are bringing an idea please be ready with as accurate an estimate on the cost as possible for budget reasons. There will be pizza, salad and libations there with room for about 30 of us in the side room. See you there!

Trivia this month: Who is Harvey Mushman?

If it's worth riding, it's worth riding fast. And far.



### Make 2010 the Best Ever!

Every November the RCB brain trust (?) meets to plan next year's activities. Believe it or not, every 2009 ride or event was initiated by a member with an idea.

Don't worry if you don't know how many, how much or when - Others will be there to contribute. All we need now is input from the membership. Attendance

is open to all RCB members.

Details: Sunday, November 8th, Private dining room at Steve's Pizza, 9135 W Stockton Blvd, Elk Grove, from 4 PM until the planning is done or the beer runs out, whichever is last. Use Google or MapQuest to map it out. See you there!

#### **Christmas Cheer December 5th**

RCB's Annual Christmas Party!

On Saturday, December 5, 2009, Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Dinner at 7:00 p.m. Goodnights at 10:00 p.m.

Our gracious host is... A & S BMW, 1125 Orlando Ave., Roseville Beverages are provided by River City Beemers The rest of the dinner is potluck. Please see the guidelines for last names below.

S-TO-Z Appetizers

N-TO-R Salads

H-TO-M Side Dishes

D-TO-G Meats/Main courses

A-TO-C Desserts

## **Help Wanted**

We're still looking for a couple of passionate contributors to serve as 2010 directors. Fred Jewell, prez@rcb.org, is the man to contact for more information.

ence who can assist RCB with some of our paperwork? Contact Phil Wood, treasurer@rcb.org, if 23701g and 501(c)(7) mean anything to you. Trust me, any and all help is appreciated!

Is there anyone out there with non-profit CPA experi-

#### What English Riders Liked Best About 2009

By Kim Rydalch

Every November the U.K. magazine, <u>Ride</u> has their reader pole results on everything from motorcycles to accessories! I thought you'd be interested in the results.

Of all the motorcycles sold in the U.K. the BMW R1200RT was voted as the number one bike! The top 100 are as follows...

- 1. BMW R1200RT, 2005-current
- 2. Honda CBR 100RR Fireblade, 2008-current
- 3. Kawasaki ZZR1400, 2006-current
- 4. Honda ST1100, 1989-2002
- 5. BMW K1300GT, 2009-current
- 6. Honda CBR1000RR Fireblade, 2004-2007
- 7. BMW R1200GS Adventure, 2006-current
- 8. Honda CBR1100XX Blackbird, 1996-2008
- 9. KTM 950 Supermoto, 2005-2008
- 10. BMW K1200S, 2004-2008
- 13. BMW R1200GS, 2004-current
- 17. BMW K1200R, 2005-2008
- 24. BMW K1200GT, 2006-2008
- 26. BMW F800ST, 2006-current
- 28. BMW R1150GS Adventure, 2000-2005
- 33. BMW R1150RT, 2001-2005
- 44. BMW R1150GS, 1999-2004
- 52. BMW R1150R, 2001-2007
- 58. BMW F800GS, 2008-current
- 65. BMW R1100S, 1998-2005
- 74. BMW F650 Funduro GS

The cheapest running costs went to...

1. BMW F800ST and in 10th was the BMW F650

Funduro GS.

Build Quality...

It was all Honda in the top 10 except for one Aprilia.

Gearboxes...

It was all Japanese except for one Aprilia.

Brakes...

4th, BMW K1200S; 5th, BMW K1200R; 6th, BMW K1200GT; 7th, BMW R1200GS Adventure; 8th, BMW R1200RT; 9th, BMW F800ST.

Suspension/Handling

4th, BMW R1200GS Adventure; 7th BMW R1200RT; 9th BMW K1200S; 10th, BMW K1200GT (2006 on).

Reliability...

All Japanese.

Mirrors with best rear vision...

2nd, BMW R1200RT; 3 rd, BMW K1300S; 4th, BMW K1200GT (2003-2005); 6th, BMW K1300GT; 7th, BMW R1150RT; 8th, BMW K1200LT; 9th, BMW R1200GS.

There is a lot more information on all sorts of clothing for comfort and crashing ability. Buy you copy from Borders or Barnes & Noble and check it out!

#### **RCB's Financial Condition**

Surprised that Saturday's Manchester participants preferred listening to RCB financials instead of dinner (and beer), I didn't do a good job of portraying the organization's finances. So to those I apologize, and to the others that missed Manchester, let me offer the following.

Looking forward to 2010, we're looking at some consolidation to free up another couple hundred dollars for better events. One huge expense we will need to tackle is the mailed newsletter – RCB only charges \$6 for printed copies – Printed copies that cost \$22 annu-

Excluding Thunderhill, the organization is expected to end 2009 a couple hundred dollars poorer than it started. Before you gasp, that is a huge improvement over the last two years and is quite good in this economy. The number reflects some cost-cutting we've already accomplished in operational expenses, but more important, it reflects new levels of creativity and cost effectiveness on the part of each event organizer. Recall that RCB's primary income is membership dues (200+ members @ \$24 each), so it's quite impressive what our "Event Wizards" (Greg, Jim, Phil, Jack, Gary, Linda, Roy, Kim, Ken, Fred and Dennis) have done with the pittance the stingy treasurer doles out! They deserve our admiration and sincere appreciation!

Thunderhill 2009 was unexpectedly profitable, and it put RCB solidly in the black, but we're not out of the woods. We still haven't returned to our bank balance level of Jan 2007. And between reserves and some deposits due early next year, we aren't cash rich. So if you were expecting a TARP-like dividend check from RCB, I have bad news. Sorry!

Looking forward to 2010, we're looking at some consolidation to free up another couple hundred dollars for better events. One huge expense we will need to tackle is the mailed newsletter – RCB only charges \$6 for printed copies – Printed copies that cost \$22 annually to produce and mail. Sharp-eyed members will observe RCB no longer even offers the printed newsletter in most of our membership documents. Unless a volunteer steps forward with a double-sided printer, a ream of paper every month, a couple toner cartridges, and cheap (free) labor to assemble and mail the newsletter, the mailed newsletter rate will most likely rise to meet costs.

Can you help? You bet you can! As a California state-chartered 23701g tax-exempt organization, RCB has strict limits on how much income we can receive from non-members without jeopardizing our tax-exempt status. What does that mean? Your membership dues are very important. Let me repeat that. Your membership dues are VERY IMPORTANT. Please don't shove that renewal into a stack of bills and forget about it. And please invite every BMW rider you know to join RCB.

More members = more RCB income = better RCB events

By Phil Wood, RCB Treasurer

# Better Auxiliary Motorcycle Lights By Phil Wood

On my way to A&S today, an R1150GS pulled in behind me with what looked like standard PIAA running lights except that a) they were more noticeable than standard running lights, b) they weren't blinding me, and c) the light color was a more pleasant white, not the harsh, halogen blue I've come to expect. I immediately liked the lights and thought that most cage drivers would too – More noticeable but less annoying.

A minute later, in the A&S parking lot, I walked

over to find out about these new lights. They weren't halogen – These were efficient and rugged LEDs that could stand up to any beating a



GS could dish out, these included a rider-controlled dimmer to lower the light output in traffic and boost it in the country, and these were made locally in Rancho Cordova. Now I knew I liked them!

The LED lights manufacturer is Clearwater Lights (www.clearwaterlights.com) and the product is called Glenda. Clearwater's president, Glenn Stasky, who



just coincidentally happens to be an RCB Member, told me that A&S is one of his dealers so you can see the product on display, and/or have it installed, there.

Disclaimer: No, Glenn didn't offer me a free pair of lights for my RT – I was just so impressed when I saw them, I thought I would share ...

Euro Sunday presents, Rally for Kids, which will benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Saturday, December 5th from 9am-12 noon at the Red Lion Hotel located at 1401 Arden Way in Sacramento.

Bring your car or motorcycle and donate an unwrapped toy.

More info at www.eurosunday.net or call 916-677-7249

#### **Member's Classified Ads**

Classified ads are free to members, and usually will run for 3 months give or take a bit, unless you email back and tell us to pull it. Send the text of your email to Classified, and it will be included in the web site and also in the newsletter. Please format similar to ads below. Limit 75 words.

Dual Sport bike sale. 2006 KTM 640 Adventure 13.5k miles, excellent condition, loaded with extras and upgrades \$7,500 or 2007 BMW XChallenge 7.6k miles very good condition, also loaded with extras \$5,000. If interested call Jim at 916-863-6014 for more information.

2004 R1150RT in excellent condition. Besides the usual features of an 1150 RT there are: heated grips, Cee Bailey windscreen, headlight guard, engine guard, fender extender, Throttle Meister, Custom Seat by Bill Mayer, Garmin 2610 GPS, BMW bag liners and tank bag and motorcycle cover. Low Mileage: 27,274. Selling for \$9,000. Call Ernie at 916-543-3265 afternoon and evenings. Pictures available. (10/11)

BMW Mens Suit Jacket with matching BMW pants for sale.Good condition. Jacket size: US 40R/EURO

50; grey on black with zip out liner. \$165.00. (Jacket predecessor to BMW Mens Trailguard Suit Jacket. New cost: \$639.00). Pants size: waist: 35; inseam: 33. Color: matching black. \$110.00. (Pants predecessor to BMW Mens Streetguard 3. New cost: \$659.00). Suit Jacket and pants purchase price: \$240.00.Call Bruce Parrish @ 916-989-9224 or email to: samparrish(at)sbcglobal.net. (8/25)

Nitro Mesh Racing JacketsBrand New. One in Grey and One in Red. Med size. This Jacket (not the ones for sale) has been personally crash tested on two occasions and it works well. See here http://www.cbxmanmotorcycles.com/Vega-Nitro-Mesh-Motorcycle-Jacket.aspx. Cost \$89 sell \$59 each. Alan Westfall 916-203-4032 or 916-421-4032 (7/31)

1985 R80 RT Selling it because I don't ride it enough. Motorcycling just wasn't for me. Asking \$3500 or best offer. The speedo say 70,000 I have owned it about a year and half so can't say if it is accurate. Everything runs well has new windshield (clearview), new battery, and newish tires. Great bike, very comfortable, matching keys, hard luggage cases. Can include helmets and jackets too. The bike is in Davis.

Thanks, Bill Williams davisbiker(at)yahoo.com

(7/28)

Misc: 2004 Rallye 2 Jacket grey with yellow piping. Also matching original fanny pack. Men's size 54 with matching pants. Perfect. Includes Gore rain liners. \$600.

2004 BMW Heated Vest with plug. Grey/black. Size XL. Never worn. \$125.

2006 Schuberth Flip Face Helmet. Size 57M, 7 1/8. Color Grey. Perfect. Includes soft TourMaster bag -black. \$150.

2006 BMW BoxerCup Gloves. Size 9 to 9 1/2 Perfect. \$40.

2006 BMW GoreTex Gloves. Size 8 to 8 1/2. Black. Perfect. \$50.

All these items purchased by me from A&S. Sold my guards, Throttlemeister, extr K1200s over two years ago. Not riding anymore. tery, Metzeler Tourance tire. If you buy all of it, I will make a better deal. Call Jeff Joe @ 916-638-2044 (4/13) at 530 401-7468 (7/28)

Wanted: R100RS Seat, Krause bags w/racks, K75RS handle bars and stack header pipes. Let me know what you have. Call Steve Hartshorn, 530-277-6630 (6/14)

1998 R1200C. Cream paint, blue leather, factory bags and screen, new tires and battery, K&N air filter, all services, and only 11,120 miles. It's beautiful and I need it to go to someone who appreciates it and will take care of it. \$5500.00 or best offer. Please call me if your interested 209-918-1093 Anthony Peters. (5/19)

2002 BMW K1200LTC, located in Yuba City. This is a very smooth running, great sounding and good looking sport/touring bike. It's like riding a sport bike with all the comfort of a touring bike. Average gas mileage is 45 mpg. Bike has been well maintained. Mileage is about 53,000. New Clutch, brake lines, brake pads, and rear brake reservoir. Ohlins shock suspension system front & rear stock shocks available. Remus aluminum Revo exhaust system w/ header, stock exhaust available. Tires in good condition, spare front tire (rear tire replaced about 1000 miles ago). Chrome luggage rack w/ 3rd brake light. Electrically adjustable windshield. New Ztechnik windshield, BMW windshield available. Lots of extras, will send on request. Asking \$9,500 / OBO.

Paul 530-674-0726 paulandjanie(at)comcast.net (4/27)

1999 K1200RS 22k miles, Silver and Blue, all maintenance up to date, Corbin Seat with back rest for passenger, hard bags with mounting rack, other extras, call for details. Asking \$5900. Call Fred at 530-273-8057 after 5 p.m. or on cell at 530-263-2942. (4/16)

2002 R1150GS ABS 37,000 miles, \$7500. Blue/white custom paint. Original Owner. Always garaged. Adventure Tank, Bill Mayer saddle, Sta-In-Tune collector box, full size oem bags (lowered muffler), Motolights, Wunderlich tall screen, handguards, Throttlemeister, extra power outlet, new battery, Metzeler Tourance tires, Geza Bike Cover. Call Joe @ 916-638-2044 (4/13)

Free to good RCB home. Shoei Face Shields. Four CX-1 face shields: Light smoke, dark smoke, clear and clear with Fog City insert. See Bruce W. at a Saturday breakfast.(3/8)

1983 R100RT 60th Anniversary Pearl White, 72K, BMW options, Euro fold out running lights by Bosch in the fairing, 4 way flashers, muffler shields, front louvered grill, rear mud flap, 2 power outlets. Additional aftermarket options include: Brown side stand, Luftmeister trunk and bar vibration dampeners (internal), Reynolds bag mounts and folding luggage rack plus optional adapter to remove the luggage rack, upper and lower fork braces, stainless steel brake lines, LED tail and running lights, Corbin leather gunfighter seat. Valve job by Oak at 40K. Work done at 62K, fork seals and springs, Hagon rear shocks, Parabellum windshield, steering head bearings, brake pads, timing chain, WestCo battery, ThunderChild diode board & grounding kit, complete throttle assembly and grips, Bing Alcohol float bowl kits, head gaskets and push rod seals, oil and neutral switches, starter, new tires and tubes, new BMW tool kit. The lowers and grill have just been repainted, small dent in left side of tank under the fairing packet. \$6000. Dennis 530-391-5754, e-mail clcman(at)sbcglobal.net(2/7)

Misc: Blue eclipse tank bag, old but in pretty good

shape, strap mount, for an Airhead \$25. Can send email pictures.

Larry Campbell (707) 446-1859(1/28)

1993 Ducati Superlight one owner \$8000.00 firm. 40,000 miles. Bike has been well cared for. If interested call, 916-408-7754, or e-mail, quack947@aol.com for pictures. Michael Miller (1/22)

Misc: BMW tank bag for airhead GS., like new. \$110.00. Hippo mitts, leather, and lined. \$40.00. Exhaust wrench, the steel one, \$35.00. If interested call 916-408-7754. Mike Miller. (10/1)

2005 BMW R1200RT with 21k miles. \$14,000 Garaged kept and maintained by A&S BMW in Roseville. Lots of extras included. You can see more on Cycletrader online or Craigi;½s List. Thanks for looking. E.J. (916) 515-0156

Misc: RKA (2) Side Case Bags, (1) Trunk Bag for an 2008 K1200LT. The bags are for non-CD cases. They are used but in very good condition. \$100.00 for the set. Contact Frank @ (916) 366-9591. (9/5)

Wanted: stock windshield for a R1150GS not adventure. Perfect condition doesn't matter as long as it's half way decent condition. Call Mark @ 916-834-7190 or email rtbmr (at) yahoo.com (6/23)

Misc: I have nine shims and the two tools needed to change them on the early flying bricks and the 750 three flat BMW engines. \$100.00 for all. I also have an exhaust wrench - the STEEL one for the BMW airheads for \$35.00. Please call Mike Miller at 916-408-7754. (3/31)

# **2009 Calendar of Upcoming Events**

Check often because events are always being added or changed.

Nov 7th, Sat General membership meeting at Susie's Country Oaks Cafe, 8 am, 500-G Cirby Way,

Roseville, CA 916-786-0274. There will be a day ride afterwards so have a full tank of gas

before starting. All members and guests welcome.

Nov 10th, Tue Director's meeting at IHOP Restaurant, 7:00 pm, 2525 Iron Point Road, Folsom. All

members welcome.

Wed. Ride Weds. Dinner Ride, Meet between 5-6:30 pm, Leaves every Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm

from the Coffee Republic in Folsom.

Thur. Ride Meet up for a weekly Thursday day ride, "Because We Can Ride". Meet at Brookfield's at

Sunrise and Folsom, eat at 8am and ride at 9am. For all retired, independently wealthy or just

plain sick of work!

Nov 8 2009 Planning Meeting 5 pm, see article in the newsletter.

Nov 20-22 Cycle World International Motorcycle Show at San Mateo County Event Center

Dec 5 RCB Christmas Party, see article in the newsletter.



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