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The Monterey Bay BMW Riders meet Saturdays at 9am (when a ride is not scheduled) for breakfast and conversation. See web site for current location. Social Coordinator: Denny Adkins  
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## President's Message

### 2007 '49er Rally!

"Been there, done that, got the t-shirt." I certainly haven't attended every '49er Rally since my first, but I do have a substantial collection of "rallywear" amassed over the years. In fact, I took along the shirt I bought at my first '49er back in 1995. Not only did I bring the same shirt, I rode the same bike that took me (and Donna) all the way up to Quincy and back. My '94 K75 is still puffing along, though I have to admit some of the original equipment on board is due for replacement. I can't complain; after 13 years and almost 120,000

miles, so what if I need to spend a little money on the old girl.

It was also interesting (and maybe a little sobering) to see many of the same people who have shown up again and again over the years, now noticeably grayer, including myself.

Sam Arquilla and I rode up to Auburn on Friday, arriving at about two in the afternoon. It already felt warmer than the weather forecasts I had read, but fortunately never got as hot as one memorable Memorial Day weekend Donna and I spent in Auburn when temperatures reached 100. Unfortunately Sam had to deal with some faulty equipment – one of his knees had begun showing signs of extended wear. A regimen of ice and ibuprofen kept it under control, but he also avoided riding Saturday altogether.

We did not find many other of our club members in attendance. Dick and Marilyn Dodd were there, as was Darryl Richman.

Saturday I made my usual rally day ride up Hwy. 49 through Downieville and over Yuba Pass. I stopped just before entering Downieville to visit a point of "historical interest." Among other things, I had never



before noticed a memorial cannon on a hill on one of the last curves leading into town. I also didn't notice until I climbed up near it that it was pointed directly up the road at oncoming traffic. If that was meant as any kind of warning to tourists, I think it's too subtle for most of us.



After lunch in D-ville, I continued over the Yuba Pass summit (6701 ft.) and stopped at the vista point shortly after to enjoy the view of Sierra Valley. What a gorgeous place. I fantasized again about bringing along a book and a hammock and spending hours enjoying the view and the clean mountain air scented with pine. It was not to be that day, however, so I rode on to Truckee and Donner Pass Road. That route afforded a great view of Donner Lake and allowed me to avoid I-80 until Soda Springs. It was a brief time on the slab before I jumped off at the junction with Hwy. 20, followed it into Nevada City, then got back on 49 to return to Auburn. What a great ride.

Sunday morning we leisurely packed up and started the ride home about 9:30. We broke a cardinal biker rule and returned home

by virtually the same route we had taken on the way up: Hwy. 49 down to Salmon Falls Road, which turns into El Dorado Hills, then Latrobe Road. Latrobe is one fun road!

We made a requisite stop in Lone, then caught the 99 slab from Stockton to Turlock. Andersen's in Santa Nella was the second requisite stop before filling up and riding the last leg home.



***Donner Lake from Donner Road***

## **June Club Ride!**

### **Saturday, June 16th**

LATE BREAKING NEWS: DUE TO RED'S RECENT HOSPITALIZATION,  
THIS RIDE HAS BEEN CANCELED

Owen to de nize long sunny dayz hereabout. Red sez lettuce meat at Jeffery's Resturant on the corner of Soquel Ave. and Capitola Rd. at 7:30 AM Saturday, June 16 for breakfast. We'll depart hopefully by 9:00 AM for a ride thru SC and proceed North up SR 1 to SF and the North parking lott of the GG Br. Regroup, (possibly to be joined by others) at 10:45-11:AM. Continuing North on US 101 to SR 137, East on 137 to SR 121, North on 121 joining SR 116, still North to the intersection where 116 turns West (left). BUT NOT US, We'll go straight thru that intersection and continue North on what is called Arnold Dr. thru El Verano until reaching SR 12. Left on 12 approx. 3/4 mi and Rt. on Trinity Rd. over the hill where Trinity becomes Dry Creek Rd. Turn Lt. on Oakville Grade, continue on to SR 29. Left on 29 thru St Helena and continue 3 mi. to Bale Grist Mill SHP. on your left. \$2 should get you in, or so I was told. Whomever gets home first winns nothin.

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### Down the road..... 2007

May	Chuck Adkins won't be taking the club to the North Coast of California, or Oregon (Chuck is recovering from a knee injury) Anyone wanna plan a club ride for May? Get well soon Chuck!
June	Red Davis – takes the club on a ride adventure there will be roads involved (see details inside)
July 7	Someone, hopefully will lead the club somewhere wonderful -- TBD
August	Ron leads a ride somewhere in scenic California (TBD)
September	Jay Whyte leads the club for grub at Woolgrowers – yum, yum
October	Tom Brazier leads a ride North to Garberville – hear there's some big trees thereabouts!
November	Dick Dodd takes the club on a journey for Mexican food at Old Juan's Cantina in Oceania
December	Club Holiday Party at the Clark's! Fun, food, and group photo!

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