



# Redwood Riders Review

Happy Valentines Day



January - February 2021

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## "Prez Sez..."

by Gretchen Tomm - President

Happy Valentine's Day!

February is a month that we celebrate love. Love for our spouses or significant others. But we who ride have another LOVE....The love of riding! Many years ago, when I was a passenger on the back of an old boyfriend's bike, I fell in love. Not with him (got rid of him), but with motorcycle riding and all it encompasses. The feeling I get when riding is like no other.

It's freedom and it's therapy. I always get off my bike with a big smile on my face



LOVE...  
IS THE FEELING  
YOU GET WHEN  
YOU LIKE SOMETHING  
AS MUCH AS YOUR  
MOTORCYCLE

HUNTER S. THOMPSON



Just like partners, there are so many different motorcycles that attract us. We each have our tastes for our bikes which makes it even more fun. We customize the bikes to fit us, which makes us love our bikes more.

Other loves...The adventures we create and enjoy on our day, overnight or week long rides, the scenic places we go and the wonderful friends we make by being a part of the Redwood Riders MC.

So, if you are not "in love", go for a ride!

In The Wind - Gretchen "Mz. Prez"

# Membership

by Melisa Brown - *Membership Director*

## Membership



### RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Your \$24 Membership Fee is due January 1st. A NEW Membership Form also needs to be submitted (yes, even for returning members). For your convenience, a 2021 Membership Form is on page 13; simply print, complete & mail with your check to the address on the form. The 2021 Membership Form can also be found on our website @ <https://redwoodridersmc.com/new-member-information/>

**If we don't receive your renewal by March 1st, you will be removed from the roster** and will no longer receive future communications (like this fabulous newsletter). We would hate to see you go so ... **renew NOW!**

Questions? Contact Melisa at [membership@redwoodridersmc.com](mailto:membership@redwoodridersmc.com)



### MEMBERSHIP

Paid Memberships	33
Co-Riders	9
Provisional Members*	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>47</b>

### RIDER STATISTICS

Men	28
Women	10

*\*New Riders & Co-Riders 2021*



### NEW MEMBERS

Warren Berckmann  
Deryk Holloway  
Mike & Wendy Myers  
Moninder Singh  
Dave Tinkler



### JANUARY

Mike Holden  
Rob Grassi

### FEBRUARY

Mike Myers  
Glen Gillis  
Moninder Singh  
Silvia Schagerer  
Michael Turpin  
Randy Mack

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# Tours & Events

by Heidi Bigall - *Tours & Events Directors*

## Ride Reviews & Upcoming Rides

### RIDES & EVENTS

We are still short of Road Captains and are looking for a few more brave souls who are willing to step up and plan / lead a ride...Especially Wednesday rides. If you are interested in becoming a Road Captain, please contact Gretchen or Heidi.

The 2021 Ride Calendar is up on our [website](#) and [Meetup](#). Check it out and start planning for a great year of riding!

#### January Rides:

Saturday 2nd: *Upper Lake*. Road Captains: Melisa Brown & Tresha Holloway (Canceled Weather)

Wednesday 13th: *Vines, River & Ocean*. Road Captain: Heidi Bigall - 11 bikes & riders. See [Ride Report](#)

Sunday 17th: *Upper Lake*. Road Captain: Melisa Brown & Tresha Holloway - Rescheduled 01/02 Ride with 20 bikes & 21 riders. See [Ride Report](#)

#### February Rides:

Saturday 6th: *Stinson Beach* – Road Captain: Heidi Bigall

Wednesday 10th: OPEN. Road Captain:

Sunday 21st: *Calpella*. Road Captain: Robyn LaMantia

#### March Rides:

Saturday 6th: *Gualala*. Road Captain: George Homenko

Wednesday 10th: OPEN. Road Captain:

***Sunday 14th: Daylight Saving Time STARTS. Rides now meet at 9:00 AM and leave at 9:30 AM***

Sunday 21st: *Williams*. Road Captain: Gretchen Tomm

Saturday – Sunday 27th – 28th: *Ferndale*. Road Captain: Robyn LaMantia 2-Day Ride (See Flyer on Page 10)



**Ride Season is HERE! Many of our long rides for 2021 have been planned and all YOU need to do is book your hotel! Flyers for all the trips which have been finalized are at the end of this newsletter.**  
***Book Soon to avoid crushing disappointment!***

# Tom's Take

by Tom Cooke - Contributor

## When you got the boogie in ya, it's got to come out!

This is a happy expression that applies to dancing, singing, and enjoying live or recorded music. It occurred to me that the notion also applies to riding!

"When you got the riding in ya, it's got to come out."

Yes, riding gives us some the same sensations and pleasures as dancing, singing, listening to music or playing an instrument. These things are popular sources of "boogie." Those of us who have been so fortunate to have discovered the wonderful experience of riding can feel a similar sensation of "boogie." Take the "groove," for example. The groove of a beautiful ride, with scenery and curves and the company of friends, can be compared to the groove of dancing or playing in a band. How about the concentration? It is mesmerizing to focus intimately on a favorite song – or a favorite ride. In both cases, deep focus improves concentration on the activity at hand, be it dancing, singing, playing drums or any instrument, and of course, riding. What about rhythm? Rhythm is perhaps the gold standard of the boogie—just as it is with riding! The rhythm of the ride is that wondrous sensation that is part and parcel of the joy of riding. The big over-arching part of the boogie, be it on a dance floor or in the saddle of your bike, is, of course, happiness. Happiness is the priceless reward of the boogie, and nothing produces a deeper source of happiness than a fine motorcycle ride.

The boogie can occur anywhere. Traditionally dance floors or other music venues are the most popular locations. But when we ride, we let our boogie, or groove, and our boogie companions determine where and how we go. Our chosen route, our pace, our breaks or lack of breaks are all part of motorcycle boogie. So, music, dancing or riding all provide the wonder and the magic of the boogie. And with all forms of boogie, when it is in you, it has to come out!

So, saddle up and boogie on! - Tom



Please consider donating to the club charity! The Ceres Community Project delivers meals to our neighbors in need and due to the pandemic, their requests for meal delivery has dramatically increased.

Since we have not generated any income from General Meeting raffles and our Holiday Party Silent Auction, our club donation will be very small.

You can donate directly to Ceres at:

[https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=CGXTZMGEV2G5W](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=CGXTZMGEV2G5W)

# Blast from the Past (President)

by “Big” Ben Johnstone - *Past President*

## Light at the End of the Tunnel

Finally, vaccinations are being rolled out. I already have my first shot, and by the time you read this, I should have my second shot as well. I am ready to go!!!! I will be riding with all of you that are brave enough to venture out by the last month of February.

I am busy planning one of my yearly solo (wife included) motorcycle trips as I write this. It will be revised and changed several times before we leave, but that is all part of the fun. I plan a general route and we review it together talking about the new places we will see and the fun places we will revisit. As we do more and more of these, the ratio of riding to visiting/sight-seeing reduces. We are starting to balance the “stop and smell the flowers” portion of our trips with the “it is not the destination; it is the journey” portion of our trips. We also plan on including as many as we can of the overnight trips with our club. My bike is fully repaired, and I am raring to go.

See you in the wind!





**01-17 Upper Lake**



**RRMC Pix Online****Ride & Event Photo & Video Links****Upper Lake January 17:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/S75zwTvHi4JH6bqx5>

**Vines, River & Ocean January 13:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/DumnR3YPcLnBa1Z36>

**Follow the Burn November 15:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/HpqJCeas7eHJpM92A>

**Old Town Sacramento November 7:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/iNrMaHg3RyLODopr6>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GTP52dQU3b4>

**Topaz Lake - Sonora October 23-25:**

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<https://youtu.be/4dshYHzG7Nw>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mvZ6Wf-ekmU>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=98IGxEyOsk&t=5s>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EV6K031fUz8>

**Twisty Road Ride October 14:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/65sW6wn3ZXIMgxg97>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JLbz6lCplhs>

**Capay & Lake Berryessa October 18:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/5cyWLnI0bbGNzoK9>

**Stewarts Point Loop October 3:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/E7vbwxsb91HY5nVP8>

**Calpella September 9:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/wEtsmfEXfQ8AnM3LA>

**Yellowstone August:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/89QMcoTzJKetBBTz5>

**Oregon July 24-27:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/nMpVg5Spw9HwZXIG8>

**Ft. Bragg July 19:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/Pn1cuaNCTkAeYTD97>  
<https://youtu.be/irx-A202y-U>

**Noyo July 7:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/Ah9qbCX7bPdNRULm6>

**Gold Country June 27-28:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/5JhjV39yJWgSsRkV9>

**Lake County June 21:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/WLgVUVYw6z6FNSBg8>

**Clear Lake June 6:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/5Timp9S7RWTxaH96>

**Utah May (unofficial ride):**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/CryAL9mM79C4MXcD6>  
<https://youtu.be/lxwi4qnsT9I>

**Lake Berryessa May 16:**

<https://youtu.be/cANfjrPg1gl>

**Stinson Beach March 11:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/DxTNeUFGORPBnzNLA>  
<https://youtu.be/nPking6kzI0>

**February Meeting:**

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**Alice's Restaurant February 16**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/rPaMTUxFachGxkkT9>

**Calpella February 2:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/V2zPosUtUaZlYnLv5>

**Gualala January 19:**

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**January Meeting:**

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**After Holiday Party January 11:**

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**Coppola Winery January 8:**

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**Cache Creek January 4:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/HrF2xqvojkpMvhVS8>

**2019 PHOTOS****December Meeting:**

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**Cloverdale Toy Run:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/3Cn4C1qP6zyDUGvu8>

**RKA Food Drive:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/RNW3pKY3pBMEQonF7>

**November Meeting:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/KqxjvJjhDRX7tdxDA>

# Redwood Riders Motorcycle Club

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Ride Info MeetUp Page - <https://www.meetup.com/Redwood-Riders-Motorcycle-Club/>

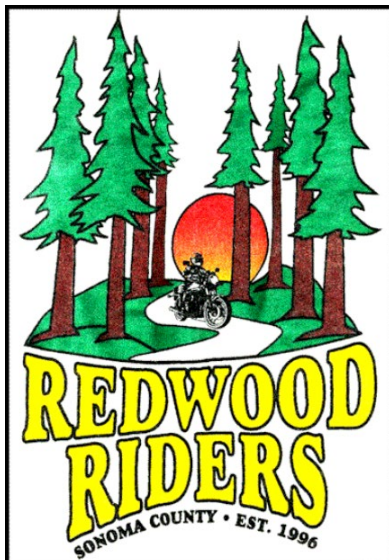
**Wear Your Gear! Club Gear that is.... Contact Gretchen to order RRMHC hats & shirts!**

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## Redwood Riders Motorcycle Club Membership Application

2021 Application



MAIL TO: Redwood Riders Motorcycle Club

Attn: Membership Director

Melisa Brown

200 4<sup>th</sup> St. Suite 240

Santa Rosa, CA 95401

## PLEASE PRINT

APPLICANT:

Member # \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ M\_\_\_\_ or F\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth (MM/DD): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work or Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## CO- RIDER APPLICANT (person that does not ride their own bike):

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ M\_\_\_\_ or F\_\_\_\_

Co-Applicant Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth (MM/DD) \_\_\_\_\_

## Motorcycles owned

Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

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How did you hear about the club? \_\_\_\_\_

## Emergency Contact:

The information given here is kept private. It is accessible only by the Club Officers and Road Captains, to be used only in the event of an emergency. **DO NOT USE CO-RIDER APPLICANT as an emergency contact.**

Name of contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned (here after known as "Applicant") has requested membership in the Redwood Riders Motorcycle Club (here after known as "RRMC"). The Applicant agrees to abide by the policies and rules of RRMC, current and future, as set down by the past and by the acting officers of the RRMC, stated in the RRMC by laws. The Applicant agrees to only operate a motorcycle while in possession of a valid driver's license recognized by the state in which the motorcycle is owned. The Applicant acknowledges the laws of the State of California require valid liability insurance, and agrees not to participate in any RRMC event unless covered by insurance meeting the requirements of the State of California. The Applicant hereby acknowledges the fact that operating a motorcycle in any situation is dangerous to life and limb and property, and agrees to hold harmless RRMC, all RRMC Officers past and present, all RRMC members past and present, and all RRMC sponsors past and present, from any liability of harm or injury to body or the damage or loss of personal property. Applicant acknowledges full responsibility for the actions, events and consequences arising from the participation of any guest of Applicant. Applicant acknowledges that participation in RRMC activities are on a volunteer basis and at no time is Applicant required to attend any event.

I have read and agree to the above guidelines

## Signature:

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Rider Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Returning Member dues are \$24 per year and are due no later than January 31. Make checks payable to The Redwood Riders Motorcycle Club. MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.

REV. 2020-11-16

## **BENBOW / FERNDALE / AVENUE OF THE GIANTS**

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 27 – SUNDAY, MARCH 28, 2021**

Shake off the winter blues and get ready for our first overnight ride! This leisurely trip will feature lunch at the Historic Benbow Inn, an afternoon of sightseeing in the quaint Victorian village of Ferndale and a scenic ride home via the Avenue of the Giants. A nice and easy adventure to ease us into the riding season.

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**Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup>** - We will be staying at the **Best Western Country Inn in Fortuna** where a block of rooms has been reserved for us at a group rate.

**2 Queens – Double Occupancy = \$93.00 Plus Tax**

Call 707.725.6822 and use the Group Name Redwood Riders OR reserve online [https://www.bestwestern.com/en\\_US/book/hotel-rooms.05533.html?groupId=4N1DT6F5](https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.05533.html?groupId=4N1DT6F5)



Due to the statewide Stay-At-Home Order currently in effect, the schedule, stops and route for this ride will be finalized as soon as possible. More details to follow at that time.

Please reserve your room NOW, they can always be cancelled later if necessary.

Your Road Captain – Robyn LaMantia



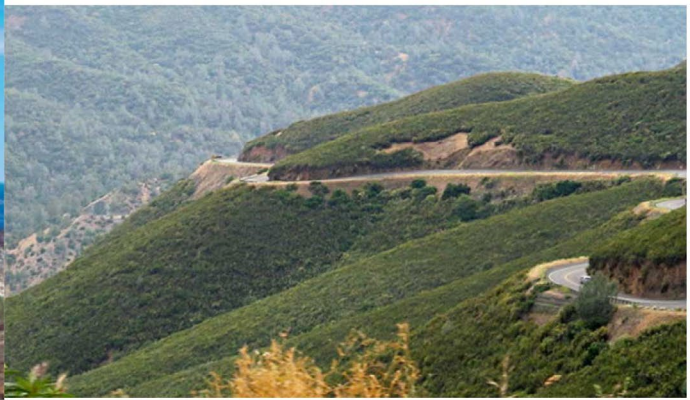
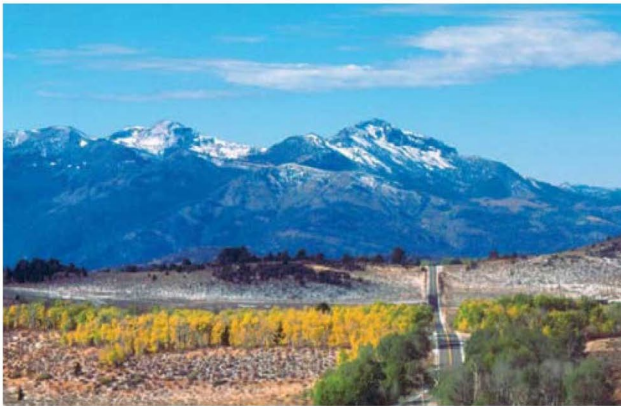
## Redwood Rider's Southern Utah Ride May 22<sup>rd</sup> – May 29<sup>th</sup>

We have the route and hotels done. The goals are to have as many scenic stops as possible without too many miles ridden in a day. The longest ride is the first day at 380 miles with the rest of the ride averaging about 300 miles per day. Stops are planned every hour with as many as possible at the numerous scenic locations we ride by. We will be staying in Moab for 2 nights in order to see all the local sites. Book your hotels early some blocks are only held for 30 days! All hotel prices are approximations and without taxes.

5/22 - 1st Night - Lone Pine CA (380 miles) Via 12/5/120/395

See Yosemite, Owens Valley

Lone Pine, CA - Quality Inn - (760) 876-8700 - \$160 24 hr. cancellation.  
Mention Redwood Riders.



5/23 - 2nd Night - St. George UT (341 miles) Via 136,

190, 374, 95, 215, 15 See Death Valley

St. George, UT - Best Western Coral Hills

(435) 673-4844 - \$89 30 day cancellation

Say Redwood Riders for the discount or use

[https://www.bestwestern.com/en\\_US/book/hotel-rooms.45023.html?groupId=7E0WW7D0](https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.45023.html?groupId=7E0WW7D0)



5/24 - 3rd Night Torrey UT (235 miles) Via 15, 9, 89, 12

See Zion, Bryce, Escalante Grand Staircase

Torrey, UT - Red Sands Motel - (435) 425-3688

\$130 w/AAA and Say Redwood Riders for the discount

30 day cancellation





5/25 and 5/26 - 4<sup>th</sup> and 5th Nights - Moab UT (250 miles)  
 Via 24, 95, 191 See Arches & Canyonlands Parks &  
 Dead Horse Overlook Super 8 Moab - (435) 259-  
 8868 - \$134  
 Mention Redwood Riders. 48 hours cancellation



5/27 - 6th Night - Ely NV (380 miles) Via 70, 89,  
 14, 130, 21, 50 Cedar Breaks, Sand Mountain  
 Ely, NV - Bristlecone Motel - (800) 497-7404 - \$85  
 Mention Redwood Riders for group discount.  
 24hr cancellation



5/28 - 7th Night - Reno/Sparks (350 miles) Via 50,  
 722, 50, 80  
 Ride America's Loneliest Road  
 Reno/Sparks - Best Western - (775) 358-  
 6900 - \$107 or use  
[https://www.bestwestern.com/en\\_US/book/hotel-rooms.29094.html?groupId=3V8UV5U5](https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.29094.html?groupId=3V8UV5U5)  
 72hr cancellation



5/28 - Ride Home about 230 miles



Ride leader George Homenko 707.888.0653 [GHomenko@gmail.com](mailto:GHomenko@gmail.com) Contact me with  
 questions. LETS RIDE!





# Water Falls Tour 2021

## June 25 – 27

**June 25 - 1<sup>st</sup> Night** we will be staying at Green Gables Motel & Suites (530) 335-3300. Rooms are reserved under Tresha Holloway

37371 CA-299 Burney CA 96013

**June 26 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Night** we will be staying at 49er Gold County Inn (530) 623-4937

Rooms are reserved under Tresha Holloway

718 Main Street, Weaverville CA 96093

**Day 1** we will make our way to Burney

**Day 2** will be an early day KSU 815am. Bring your walking shoes. We will be checking out the Stunning Burney Falls, then onto McCloud Falls (Upper, Middle & Lower). Lunch will be in McCloud and a great Café. We will then make our way to Weaverville for the night.

**Day 3** we will continue on the scenic Hwy 299 with a coffee break at the Strawhouse Cafe and lunch at Eel River Brewing Company in Fortuna. We will then make our way home VIA 101.

**Make your reservations NOW! You can always cancel later. Rooms are reserved under Tresha Holloway**

Be sure and pack water and snacks

Your Road Captain's Darren & Tresha are looking forward to having you join them!