



# Redwood Riders Review

July 2021



## Happy 4th of July

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## "Prez Sez..."

by Gretchen Tomm - *President*

What a long strange trip it's been! Who knew our lives would change like they did? It's almost surreal.

We are an amazing motorcycle club that has always figured out a way to have our rides (and fun) despite restaurant and rest area closures. Thanks to all our persistent and awesome road captains figuring out ways to make that happen.

The limited social contact has been the hardest for so many, like no monthly meetings. Well, that is going to change! Starting Tuesday, July 20th we are back at China Village! Like before (if we can remember?) dinner at 6 pm and meeting at 7 pm. Mark your calendars! In the meantime, see y'all on a ride.

In The Wind - Gretchen aka "Mz. Prez"



## ***We Are Back!***

### **RRMC July General Meeting**

**Tuesday, July 20th**  
**6:00PM Greet & Eat / 7:00PM Meeting**

**China Village**  
**8501 Gravenstein Hwy, Cotati**



# Membership

by Melisa Brown - *Membership Director*

## Membership

### MEMBERSHIP

Returning Members	54
Co-Riders	14
2021 New Members	26
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>94</b>

### RIDER STATISTICS

Men	60
Women	20

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### NEW MEMBERS

Jason Boles  
Jim Hyatt



### MEETUP

We ask that folks use Meetup to RSVP to upcoming rides. This gives the Road Captains a better idea of how many people will be attending.

Also, we have changed our Meetup group from public to private. This requires people to submit a "request to join". All RRMCM members who have paid the annual dues will be approved.

### NEW MEMBERSHIP RULES

Effective June 15, the club will no longer offer the "try before you buy" provisional memberships which allowed new members to forego the membership fee for the first year.

New riders may sign the waiver and be allowed to ride ONCE. If they decide to return, they will be required to pay the annual dues and fill out the membership form.

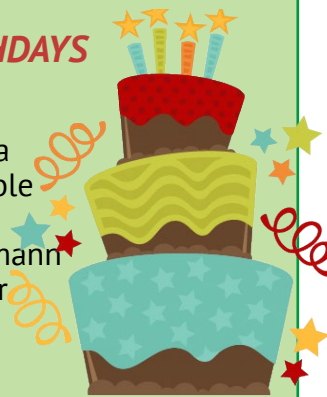


### JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Robert Banks  
Lyndasue Christensen  
Heidi Faulkner  
Terese Gilford  
Jim Hyatt  
Ben Johnstone  
Andrew Little  
Kurt Mitchler  
Kathy Roberts  
Marcel Svizzero

### JULY BIRTHDAYS

Jason Boles  
Cathy Calleja  
Candace Gable  
Martha Saly  
Cheryl Salzmann  
Vickie Weber



### LEATHER WORK & PATCHES

Need some leather work done? Zippers fixed? Patches sewn on to your vest or jacket? Give Araceli a call at 707.623.7272 She has been serving the MC community for over 25 years.

# Tours & Events

by Heidi Bigall - *Tours & Events Directors*

## Ride Reviews & Upcoming Rides

### RIDES & EVENTS

#### Interested in being a Road Captain?

I'm still banging my drum.... We need folks to volunteer as Road Captains! As a member of the RRMC, this is a great way of giving back to the club. Current Road Captains are more than happy to help plan routes, breaks and lunch stops but we need YOU to actually lead the rides!

Please feel free to reach out to me at [hbigall@gmail.com](mailto:hbigall@gmail.com).

Current dates in need of a Road Captain:

Wednesday, August 11

Sunday, August 15

#### Past Ride Reports & Photos:

Wednesday, May 12: **Calpella**. Road Captain: Ben Johnstone - [See Google Photo Album](#)

Friday, May 21 - Saturday, May 29: **Southern Utah**. Road Captains: George Homenko & Gretchen Tomm - [See Ride Report](#)

Saturday, June 5: **East-West Ride**. Road Captain: Daryl Frandsen - [See Ride Report](#)

Saturday, June 20: **Cap**. Road Captain: Heidi Bigall - [See Google Photo Album](#)

#### Rides & Events for July:

Saturday, July 3: **Lakeport**. Road Captains: Gretchen Tomm & Sharon McMillan

Wednesday, July 14: **Twisty Ride**. Road Captain: George Homenko

Sunday, July 18: **Magical Mystery Tour**. Road Captain: Wade Roberts

Tuesday, July 20: **RRMC General Meeting @ China Village, Cotati**. Greet & Eat begins at 6<sup>PM</sup> and the Meeting starts at 7<sup>PM</sup>

Friday, July 23 – Sunday, July 25: **Gold Beach**. Road Captains: Gretchen Tomm & Sharon McMillan - [See Flyer](#)

#### Upcoming Long Rides:

Friday, September 10 - Sunday, September 12: **Emerald Bay**. Road Captain: Melisa Brown - [See Flyer](#)



# Rides & Events July

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
25	26	27	28	1	2	3 <b>Lakeport</b> Road Captains: <i>Gretchen Tomm &amp; Sharon McMillan</i> 9:00 <sup>AM</sup> Meet 9:30 <sup>AM</sup> KSU
<div> <b><i>Check the MeetUp site for updates &amp; last minute changes!</i></b> </div>						
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 <b>TWISTY RIDE</b> Road Captain: <i>George Homenko</i> 9:00 <sup>AM</sup> Meet 9:30 <sup>AM</sup> KSU	15	16	17
18 <b>MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR</b> Road Captain: <i>Wade Roberts</i> 9:00 <sup>AM</sup> Meet 9:30 <sup>AM</sup> KSU	19	20 <b>GENERAL MEETING</b> 6:00 <sup>PM</sup> Dinner 7:00 <sup>PM</sup> Meeting	21	22	23 <b>GOLD BEACH</b> Road Captains: <i>Gretchen Tomm &amp; Sharon McMillan</i> 7:00 <sup>AM</sup> Meet 7:30 <sup>AM</sup> KSU	24 <b>GOLD BEACH</b>
25 <b>GOLD BEACH</b>	26	27	28	29	30	31



# Blast from the Past (President)

by “Big” Ben Johnstone - *Past President*

## Zen Motorcycling



Barb and I have just returned from one of our yearly motorcycle adventures. This year we went to Cedar City; Sedona, Colorado Springs; and Dinosaur National Monument (see below). The first couple of days into a trip of this type I am focused on the motorcycle and the route. I am thinking about what I might have forgotten to bring, the weather conditions, will there be room at the motel, and other trip planning items. Then, once I settle into the journey, I become one with the motorcycle, the road, and the scenery. It is just me, the road, the wind, and my wife. I focus on the deep meanings of life: what a wonderful country we live in; how fortunate I am to have a wife who enjoys traveling by motorcycle with me; and when will I become too old to do this anymore.

This year the old question garnered more of my time than other things. I noticed that we were not as able as we were in past years to knock off long days in the saddle one after another. I noticed that my ability to control a bike that weighed in excess of 1600 pounds in slow speed situations generated more anxiety than it had in the past. I was saddened to think I may not be riding for much longer. I thought about people I know who have moved onto lighter bikes, motor scooters, and trikes. I wondered if it was time to transition to the next phase in my riding career.

I really love these solo trips and feeling at one with the bike and the road. Group rides are great for the fun and friendships that we gain, but life isn't complete without some solo rides.



***Be Careful when Feeding the Dinosaur!***

# Club Gear

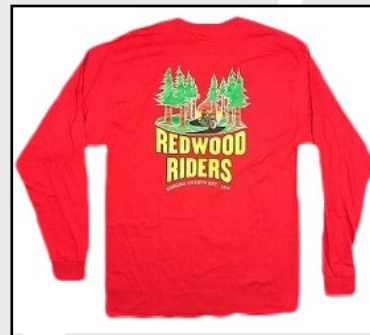
## RRMC CLUB GEAR IS AVAILABLE!

We have a limited supply so order yours today! Contact Gretchen for details and to arrange purchase.

We have 1 additional item for sale; 3/4-Zip Red Sweatshirt 2XL for \$32. Same logo placement on front & back as shirts.



Baseball Caps - \$15	Visors - \$10	T-Shirts - Short Sleeve - \$20		T-Shirts - Long Sleeve - \$20*	
QTY in Stock	QTY in Stock	Available in Black & Red		Available in Black & Red	
		Black	Red	Black	Red
8	2			1 - Medium	1 - Medium
			1 - Large		2 - Large
		2 - XL	1 - XL	2 - XL	1 - XL
			2 - XXL	2 - XXL *\$22	1 - XXL *\$22





**RRMC Pix Online****Ride & Event Photo & Video Links****Capay June 20:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/HNgxtugVDuAXJb8C7>

**East-West Ride June 5:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/DEsiuqPdLzO3tTiV8>

**Utah May:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/rV7kZi4Uk7BzJqAe6>

<https://youtu.be/wHmTXOyHBd4>

**Calpella May 10:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/jXiAlzR2KLqnuqXTA>

**Town of Mendocino April 18:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/j8MUpYtNEqVegyHw6>

**Lake Berryessa April 14:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/NV4zE7bMCd243TbP8>

**Cache Creek / Capay April 3:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/m5gp19Nrndyd2c789>

**Ferndale / Ave of the Giants March 27-28:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/yexnFLPNKsHcxIA3A>

<https://youtu.be/lBvAxBZY-k>

**Fairfield March 21:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/wKQwFwoviNwESTe6>

**Gualala March 7:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/r9r8BG3EWnTQovDL7>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OmrAoGMHvK4>

**Ukiah February 21:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/suPwzQm3Kd61fiAk8>

**Suisun February 10:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/unyueirH91JJEgVA7>

**Stinson Beach February 6:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/YphoViqCv5sy5oLD6>

**Upper Lake January 17:**

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

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

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

**Pix & Videos from 2020****Follow the Burn November 15:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/HpqlCeas7eHJpM92A>

**Old Town Sacramento November 7:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/iNrMaHg3RyLODopr6>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GTP52dQU3b4>

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

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/4EztmndWGVKnw4iF9>

<https://youtu.be/4dshYHzG7Nw>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=myZ6Wf-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/65sW6wn3ZXJMgxg97>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JLbz6lCplhs>

**Capay & Lake Berryessa October 18:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/5cyWLniLObbGNzoK9>

**Stewarts Point Loop October 3:**

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

**Calpella September 9:**

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/wEtsmfEXfO8AnM3LA>

**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/5Timp9S7RWTrxaH96>

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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 RRMCM hats & shirts!**

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# Jerry's Jet Boat Ride weekend!

Gold Beach, OR July 23-25



## FUN time!!

We will be staying at **Jot's Resort**, Gold Beach both Friday and Saturday nights. To make room reservations, please contact the resort (541)247-6676 or book you rooms online.

The Jet Boat ride is Saturday and includes lunch. The cost is \$67.75. Sharon made Jet boat reservations and paid in full. You need to contact her ASAP to save your spot.

Please mail a reimbursement check to -  
Sharon McMillan  
PO Box 681  
Petaluma, CA 94953  
[rogon1@pacbell.net](mailto:rogon1@pacbell.net)

We will meet at Shari's at 7:00 am KSU 7:30 We will head north up 101, with lunch in Eureka.

Any questions, contact Gretchen (707) 337-2145 or Sharon (707) 696-4053

# ***Emerald Bay Ride***



Join us for a beautiful ride on the back roads through the Georgetown Divide to our destination at South Lake Tahoe.

Sept 10, Friday    KSU at 8:30 a.m.  
11:30-12 Lunch/Gas Stop - Georgetown

Sept 11, Saturday  
Choice #1 – Short ride around the lake mid morning. Have lunch at the Marina. Board the Safari Rose at 2:00 p.m. for a 2 hour cruise around Emerald Bay. (see info below)  
Choice #2 – Mike Holden will lead a day ride with a lunch stop.  
Choice #3 – Hang out and visit the shops at Heavenly Valley Village

Sept 12, Sunday    KSU at 8 a.m. Head home down Hwy 88. Thought was to stop at a restaurant along Hwy 88 for a late breakfast/early lunch. This would allow us to be back in Santa Rosa between 2 – 2:30 pm.

**Hotel Info:** Quality Inn South Lake Tahoe, 530-541-7150. Reservations are under Redwood Riders Motorcycle Club. Currently we have 12 rooms reserved (6 rooms with 1 bed, 8 rooms with 2 beds). \$327 and \$367 (includes tax and fees)

**Emerald Bay Cruise:** Safari Rose Cruises (only 68 people on these boats). Reservations are under **Redwood Riders Motorcycle Club – 2:00 p.m. departure.** Call 775-588-1881 and tell them to book you under this reservation. Cost is \$90.

Any questions, call or email Melisa Brown at 707-246-3520 or [Livingitupin2030@yahoo.com](mailto:Livingitupin2030@yahoo.com)