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MISSION STATEMENT:

“Dedicated to providing service to the community while combining the two hobbies of motorcycling and ham radio”

OCTOBER 2012

FROM THE PRESIDENT’S DESK:

Now, for the third quarter of 2012 to plan for. We still have two more events this year and also the MARC Christmas dinner to organize. October will be a busy month for Mijo, KF6BEB, and I. We have a wedding to attend and a cruise after, the usual medical and dental appointments to make, the MS 150, a two day event, and our granddaughter visits every Tuesday and Thursday. Of course there will always be a few more things thrown in to keep life interesting for the two of us.

On the 29th of September we, MARC, helped the ADA with the Surf to Summit ride in Orange County CA. The 3:30 AM wake up was a bit early for Mijo and I, but that was necessary to arrive at the start point on time. However, the alternative was to ride down the day before and find a motel for the night and still get up very early. The ride from Rialto to Laguna Niguel, at four in the morning, was brisk, warmer in some places and cooler in others. Mijo and I arrived at the Net Control site just in time to help Ray and Bonnie set up the net control canopy and tables. In just a few minutes, Ray had the radios ready to go. I then set up antennas on top of the mini-van and Net Control was ready to operate.

I was assigned to sweep the 50 mile course, alternating with Fara, KF6ZQO, having a partner mad the job a lot easier, thanks Fara.. The route was well planned and the roads were for the most part clear of congestion as it was a Saturday morning. I do have one recommendation for all future events. That is, when we find there is a significant difference in the roads supported by our aging Garmin GPS units and the route taken by the cyclists, that we (say I) be notified in advance so that section of the printed route produced by Bill, K6WBD,

can be highlighted. It would make it easier to stay on route with the bicycles and not go off course following older routes that the GPS unit wants to send us on. (Michael, N6QZT, did brief us on this but without making notes on the route sheet, it was easy to forget.) This problem will come up more and more as new streets are opened and not listed/shown on our 2009 maps. Thanks to all of our motorcycle mobile riders, net controllers, SAG drivers and navigators, and check point operators. It is team work from everyone that makes these fund raisers a success. I would also like to thank the owners and operators of both the Alert and Barn radio repeaters for the use of the two systems in support of this charity event.

Our monthly MARC meeting on Saturday, 13 October 2012 will be concentrating on preparation for the MS150. John, KC6ZOZ, and Andy, K6AJB, will be center stage bringing us all up to date on the latest for the MS 150 on 20 & 21 October. As we in MARC have worked the MS ride for many years, it will be old hat, except for a few changes. But we must remember that there are always a few new members who have not participated in this two day event. So let’s all give them a hand and make sure that all goes well.

It looks like summer will hang around So. Cal. for a bit longer it is 114.5 outside on my HF antenna (location of my weather station) at 1:15 PM. The weather channel just said that they might have an early winter in the east, with rain and perhaps an early snow. Wherever you are, please drive/ride carefully and don’t forget to properly winterize any of your machines before putting them away for the winter.

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“MARC” CALENDAR 2012:

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| Oct | 13 th | Breakfast meeting |
| Oct | 20/21 | MS 150 BAY TO BAY |
| Nov | 3/4 | LAS VEGAS MS |
| Nov | 10 th | Breakfast meeting |
| Nov | 17 | Santa Barbara Tour de Cure?? |
| Dec | 8 th | Christmas Party |

**“MARC” NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:
(SUBJECT TO CHANGE)**

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| OCT | 2nd | FOR OCTOBER |
| OCT | 30th | FOR NOVEMBER |
| NOV | 27 TH | FOR DECEMBER |

“MARC” CALENDAR FOR 2013

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| Apr | 20 th | San Diego Tour |
| Apr | 28 th | Ship to Shore Tour |
| May | 4 th -5 th | Tour de OC |
| May | 11 th | 21 st Anniversary “MARC” |

**If “Plan A” fails, remember that the alphabet has 25 more letters.....
Cal-o-ries (n.) Sign of the times...**

Tiny creatures that live in your closet and sew your clothes a little tighter every night....

“Halloween is the beginning of the holiday shopping season. That’s for women. The beginning of the holiday shopping season for men is Christmas Eve.” (David Letterman)

OC SURF-2-SUMMIT TOUR de CURE SEPT 29, 2012
GOAL: 60,000 RIDERS: 250 TEAMS:
Achieved: \$87,000 so far Achieved: Riders: 300

I want to thank everyone for their great support for this first time event.

We had no serious problems or injuries and as normal, MARC's performance was 5 star quality.

We had some lost riders, because the ADA wasn't allowed to put up signs in some communities.

According to the ADA they had over 300 riders and raised over \$86,000. This exceeded the planned goals.

Please let Bonnie or myself know of any issues or concerns, so that we can bring them up at the rap-up meetings.

Again, thank you all. Michael D. Naron
SPECIAL THANKS TO:

MOTORS:

KF6TXI Charles, N7ARB Bob, KF6ZQO Fara, W6BGR Joe, W5JFR John, KD6FHN Ray, KB6MYR Chris, KJ6QFZ Alex, KC6ZOZ John, K6WBD Bill, N6QZT Mike...

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Sag 1 KD6UZM Alvin & AB6PA Glenn

Sag 2 K6IXQ Scott & KI6MRQ Kim

Sag 5 Tom, Venece & KC0AQV Dale

NET CONTROL:

KF6BEB Mijo, Lisa (Scribe), KB6SUP Jeff & KD6OFQ Bonnie also on Phone(:))ss

I am so proud of our new members who took the road(GREAT JOB) Lisa, You are a blessing & Mijo As always our head Operator. What a fantastic job you each did..

Mike N6QZT <mnaron51@gmail.com> Bonnie KD6OFQ

MS 150 October 20th & 21st, 2012

GOALS: \$2,200,000 RIDERS: 2200 TEAMS:

Achieved: 1,065,997.99 Riders: Teams: 150

As I write this article The MS150 bay to bay tour is only a couple of weeks away. I hope you have signed up and are ready to ride. We could still use a couple more bikes and a couple Sag support people so if you are available get in touch with Bonnie or I and we'll sign you up.

This year's ride is going to have over 2400 riders. They also have about 500 riders that say they are novice riders. This event just gets big and better each year. Looking ahead at the weather report for Carlsbad, it looks like it will be in the 70s. So we will need to watch for riders that didn't plan their water needs correctly. We will again have a large number of road marshals that are also ride participants. The main focus will be to alert the NMSS staff of problem riders and assist other riders with aid and directions. The road marshals have really help to augment the safety and rider support on the course.

What has been happening lately with the committee?
We have gotten Laguna Beach to close the parking on

the south side of main beach (the up hill section of Coast Hwy), Camp Pendleton has again given us permission for the bicyclists to go through the base. Once again (partly because of the efforts of the MARC group) the MS150 was granted passage through the base. Riders will arrive at the Las Pulgas gate with their ID's and will ride through the base.

We attended the Safety Procedures meeting last night (10/3). I will also go over what was discussed at our next MARC meeting. The MARC members have been doing this a long time now and we pretty much know how to handle the things that come up.

We meet for breakfast at the same place as last year but we will talk about that at the next MARC meeting on the 13th.

If you miss us at breakfast we will be going to the start line and we will use MARC Simplex (144.370) as talk in frequency on Saturday.

Again the Orange County Chapter of the Multiple Sclerosis Society now has a Web Page. Check it out!
["http://www.nmssoc.org"](http://www.nmssoc.org) they have ON LINE bike tour registration.

I would like to thank everyone in advance for coming out to help with this very worth while event. The bicycle riders love having us there watching over them during this ride. And the Multiple Sclerosis Orange County chapter can not express enough how much they appreciate the MARC group being there to help.

Thanks

Andy W6AJB <anders.bocker@gmail.com>
John KC6ZOZ (in the background)

Santa Barbara Tour de Cure Nov 17, 2012

GOALS: 150,000 RIDERS: TEAMS:

Achieved: 20,446.00 Riders: Teams: 11

Per KE6ZRP Mark's checking everything out, I pray you all read his report.. we will have a discussion to see who is interested in doing this event.. It is beautiful there..

San Diego Tour de Cure April 20, 2013

Goal: 518,000 Riders: Teams

Achieved: \$4963.00 Riders: 112 Teams: 20

Jim Mihalick one of our Tour Committee Members was in a horrible bike accident on Sunday September 23. Jim was found lying on the side of the road by a Good Samaritan. Jim suffered a skull fracture and has intracranial bleeding and swelling. He is doing better but has a long way to go. Our love and prayers are with Jim & family

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Bonnie KD6OFQ <bonidavis@juno.com>

Ship to Shore Tour de Cure April 28, 2013

GOAL: \$1,000,000 RIDERS: 3000 TEAMS:200

Achieved: \$1365.00 Riders: 86 Teams: 19

They had a successful kick-off party with some more bodies joining the committee. Meeting will be held Thurs Oct 4 in LA

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**Tour de Cure "Surf 2 Summit" Orange County 2012
My First Time Bicycle Mobile Experience
By Brian DeSousa, KJ6VZV**

I've participated in many organized bicycle rides over the years, but this time around I wanted to volunteer to help out with the ride and give something back. The Tour de Cure was a worthy cause, since my wife has Type 1 diabetes, and most of the money raised goes directly towards fighting diabetes, with little going to overhead expenses. In the months leading up to the event, I worked as the road logistics co-chair, with the main responsibility of developing the road routes to be used for the ride. On the day of the event, I was able to enjoy taking a break from the organizing portion and be a "worker bee" as part of the MARC team – my assignment was to be the bicycle mobile "tail" for the 55 mile ride.

I waited for about five minutes for the mass start to clear before heading out. I soon caught up to the last rider, who had fallen behind due to front derailleur issues, but was OK now. I let him know that there would be a mechanic at rest stop one who could help him out. When I got out to Laguna Canyon Road, the motors gave me the OK to "open it up" for a bit. Good for me, because I'd hate to waste a good tailwind that's always there! At rest stop one, I spent some time catching up with my former coworkers (who sponsored the rest stop) while waiting for the rest of the riders to arrive. Then after leaving, the motors gave me the "AOK" to leapfrog ahead again, while they covered the rear. It was a good spot in the route to do so, as it was the beginning of the hills, which tend to spread out the riders quite a bit. I was able to chat with some of the riders as I passed, making a mental note of who was playing catch up after a late start, as well as taking note of those who might have problems later on completing the ride.

Luckily it wasn't as hot inland as originally expected, thanks to some cloud cover which lasted all the way to rest stop two. One of the "red riders" (a rider who has diabetes) had considered throwing in the towel and calling for a SAG, but he was a real trooper and decided to press on. After that stop, there would be no leapfrogging, as we were almost at the bike path section, where I would be the only one who could make sure the last two riders were OK. But first, they had to make the left turn from Ortega onto Avenida Siega. This was a hard to see left turn with no traffic light, on a two lane road with the possibility of continuous traffic in both directions. Add rider fatigue to the mix, and you have the ingredients for the biggest turn of concern in the route.

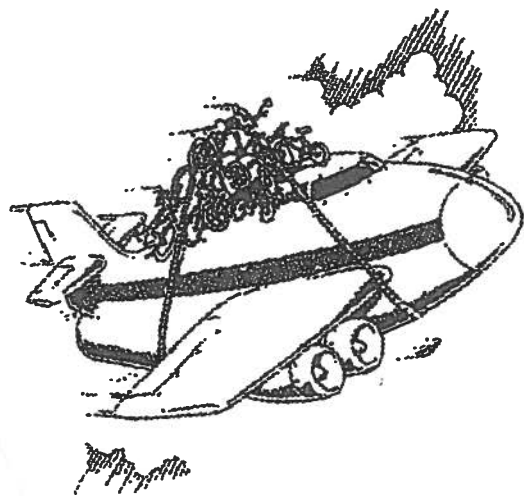
So I sprinted ahead to the lead rider to let him know about the left turn, merged into a gap in traffic, waved for him to also merge in front of me, and then we both moved

into the left turn pocket. I then took another look back, and John on his motor was now there and had slowed down just enough for the remaining rider to get into the left turn pocket. All of this coordination just happened as if we had been working events together for years!

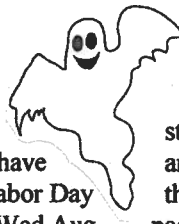
We made it to the beginning of the bike path portion, which had a couple of tricky turns where we were not able to put up signage. I split the distance between the two riders in the rear, alternating between moving ahead to give directions to the front rider, and then dropping back to make sure all was OK in the rear. Finally we got to a point where I could tell the front rider, "turn left after crossing the bridge and it's a straight shot to the beach", and then I could move behind the last rider and stay there full time. Unfortunately, I wasn't able to keep net control up to date along the bike path part of the ride. My bicycle mobile setup was a rather simple one, with a HT in the back pocket and an earpiece/microphone combo with a PTT button. Still, that was an effective setup when hitting a repeater at 5600' during most of the route, but the bike path was in a valley along San Juan Creek, so short of mounting an antenna on my helmet, I was out of luck.

Soon we were back on the roads and into rest stop three. After that, the bulk of my duties were done, as the motors could cover the rest of the route. But as I neared the finish, I stopped to check on a rider walking her bicycle. She said that she just had some leg cramps and was otherwise OK. I assured her that after cresting that last hill just a few yards ahead, she could coast all the way to the finish. Overall, while there were a few minor hiccups that always seem to happen on a first year ride, this was still a very successful event, with about 300 riders and \$88,000 raised. Most importantly, it was a very safe ride, with no injuries reported. I'm looking forward to working with MARC as a bicycle mobile for future events!

NEW TYPE OF SAG:::::



FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S DESK



Aug. 29 to Sept 6th. 2012

Well I am pretty sure that everyone on my email lists have read all about our SCMA 3 Flags Classic adventure over Labor Day weekend. John and I made it to El Paso TX (800 miles) on Wed Aug. 29th. We had left Orange CO. CA at 2am to beat the heat through Phoenix & Tucson and that worked out well, as we got through there at about 7:30am and the rest of the way through AZ & NM was not all that hot. We rested up on all day Thursday and left at 3 am from the Super 8 Motel in El Paso for Nelson BC Canada. The route (a little under 2000 miles) took us over & thru some very high mountain passes and very beautiful scenery. We arrived at the finish Sunday afternoon about 2pm in Nelson B.C. Canada. The finish officially closed Monday night at 9pm. Several of the riders did hit deer, neither of the 2 I know about went down. One had a lot of damage to the front of his m/c and lost all of his headlights. But he was able to rig up some headlight to get himself home.

The SCMA always puts on one heck of a 3 Flags Classic. The 3 Flags Classic banquet was Tuesday night. The food was very good and a lot of it. However the service was terrible because we had to go get our own water, coffee & etc. It seemed that no one was working in the Banquet room. The resort hotel accommodations were also very good, but the food at any of their 2 eating places in the hotel were very, very expensive.

Then all 250 motorcycles split Wed morning for home or else where. John and I had planned to stop someplace Wed night and rest so we didn't leave the resort in Nelson until after day light, about 6:15am. As it turned out we only stopped for gas 3 times and a 45 minute to one hour nap at a rest stop about midnight and came the whole way home (1471 miles) in a little under 23 hours, arriving in Orange County at about 5:10am.

The new lower cowl driving lights from The Electrical Connection worked even better then they look. They are very, very bright and low enough where they are not a distraction for oncoming cars. I wish they had come out many years ago. Also the electronic deer whistle that I had installed a few days before we left on the 3 Flags also worked very well. We only saw a couple of deer on the whole trip and we didn't hit any of them, so I guess the whistle works perfectly. :-)

Sept. 8th MARC meeting. Pretty good turn out with some new MARC members coming to the MARC meeting for the first time. Some members we hadn't seen in awhile and guests. All in all a good turn out. There were some nifty door prizes too. You can read who won what in the Bonnies article. I did manage to win an electric grinder, but I already had one so it will go back into the door prizes at this months meeting. Several sign up sheets for the charity events that MARC volunteers will be working in Oct & Nov. were there to sign up for. You can read in Bonnies article who won all of the cash drawings. It sure wasn't me.

Sept. 26th, I went out and bought a bicycle so that I can keep on training but I can do it while enjoying the great outdoors. It will also help maintain my balancing skills for riding a motorcycle. I am not having any problems with balance, but I am sure that riding a bicycle will help keep the balance section of the brain working properly. Some of our friends that are at our age or nearing it say they are having problems with their balance. I have only ridden the bicycle

once so far and didn't like the fact that it only has 3 gears and because the pedals on this Townie are so far forward you can't stand up to put more power on the pedals. So I called the bike shop and they said that they have a penalty free 30 day return policy. So this week I will take it back and get one that has 21 speeds and the pedals are under the riders seat, like the ones I grew up on.

Saturday, Sept 29th was the Surf 2 Summit American Diabetes Assoc. bicycle charity event. We had 12 ham radio equipped motorcycle to provide some traffic control and assist bicyclists with flat tires and broke chains. There were also about a half dozen MARC members working the ham radios at net control and as usual they did a spectacular job of handling all the emergency traffic for lost bicycle riders and those that need transportation to a rest stop or the finish. This was a first year event being held in that area of Orange County by the ADA so the turn out was only about 300 bicyclists, but they still raised about \$87,000 I was told. That actually is very good for a first year event. You can read Mike N6QZT report on this event for all the particulars. After the event was over we, Bonnie and I and with the help from Chris KB6MYR (thank you very much Chis) still had to unload all the ham radio gear, tables, chairs, canopy, side curtains, antennas & etc. from the van at home.

Sunday morning Sept 30th. I once again had to load the van. Only this time it was with luggage, range bags, ice chest, guns, ammo & etc for a 10am departure for Pahrump NV. Got to Pahrump about 2:30pm and checked into the Pahrump Nugget Casino Hotel. I was to have dinner with long time MARC members Sheron KC6ZSH and Tom K2QGT, but Sheron had trouble with her Toyota Prius (6 years & more then 220K) and had to have it towed into Victorville CA when she was passing through earlier in the day on the way back to Pahrump where they live. So I had dinner by myself. Instead we had dinner together Monday night after my first day of training (this time around) at Front Sight. (Frontsight.com) if your interested. It was 97 degrees both Monday & Tuesday. I had checked the yearly temperatures for this time of year for Pahrump and it was supposed to be in the mid 80s so I chose those dates, Oct 1st & 2nd. Got through it all with no problems from the heat for myself, but can't say the same for some of the 400 people on some of the 18 open air ranges that they have there at Front Sight. They had to call paramedics for one woman and another person on another range we were told. They do have 4 large 10 or 15 gallon Igloo containers with ice water in them on every range and they also provide sun screen if you don't have any. I was using Banana Boat Spp Ovb 110 spray on my face and neck twice a day. I also had a high tech long sleeved T-shirt on that reacts with sweat and cools you. I also used something new, that Bonnie found at Bed & Bath. It is a rubber feeling scarf that is 2 feet long and 10 inches wide that you soak in water and wring it out a little and put it around your neck. That thing felt cold all the time and really helped keep me cool out in that blazing sun and 97 degree temperature. After the Tues class was done I jumped in the van and drove back to Irvine and got home about 9pm. Great time, lots of fun and you meet some nice, great and famous people at these events.

Saturday Oct 6th I get to go to the Disney Land Hotel and convention center for the Clark Security Show with gun safes. MARC member, Al, KJ6RIX managed to get tickets to that show so I am going there to buy a big gun safe. That should be a lot of fun.

Sat. & Sun. Oct 20th & 21 is the MS-150 charity event. We will need all the ham radio equipped motorcycles that we can muster again this year. This is always the biggest charity event we have here in

Southern CA. It always has the most riders and raises the most money for the MS Society. Please come to the MARC meeting on Saturday Oct.13th and sign up for this event. They are expecting to raise about 2 million dollars for the MSS again this year.

Friday Oct 26th is MARC members Pat & Andy's wedding on a cruise ship in Long Beach CA near the Queen Mary. The Cruise ship departs Friday Night or early Saturday morning for a 3 day cruise. Bonnie and I plan on going to the wedding, but not on the cruise. To much else too do, so little time. They say I don't have to wear a suit to this event. Just wear cruise ship attire and we have plenty of that. :-)

A little MARC history. Twenty years ago this month was the first time MARC members volunteered for the MS-150 using ham radios on their motorcycles. Just doesn't seem like 20 years that we have been into ham radios on our motorcycles.

As always we ask that our MARC members continue to support those companies that advertise in our MARC Newsletters and those that provide us with support by donating door prizes and then the really expensive Super Raffle prizes for our MARC Christmas Party and our May Anniversary Parties. We also need to support the ALERT/BARN Ham Radio System owners for all they do for us by providing us the means for our MARC Wed night nets and all the support they give us for our many charity events. We couldn't do what we do for the charity organizations with them.

Safe rides to one and all.

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MINNESOTA RIDING

I have slowed down my pace of riding. Slowed due to not working or high gas prices. I know California prices are much higher than here in the tundra. I did get a ride in on the 16th. Rode down to Rochester via Afton or Hastings, Mn. Stopped to see my friend Steve and talk bikes and what is happening in his life.

"You know Tim, I use my boat and have at least 3 of my kids with me, instead of only taking one along on the BMW."

"I see your point." Nodding my head. "Did you get your odometer repaired?"

Steve shows me his note pad and trying to figure out when he needs fuel as the trip and main odometer is stuck. Now for me and maybe for most of the high milers the odometer is might important for accumulation of miles! Steve didn't seem to mind that its stuck.

Drought in the upper Midwest is severe. Leaves are changing colors but the leaves are also curling up and falling off the trees faster. Corn crops are bad in southern Minnesota and Iowa. We are having weather like Arizona, with low dew points or low humidity. Thunder Storms aren't happening here.

Well I finally repaired the BMW. "Motorcycles don't leak oil, they just mark their territory." I read that in one of the new Areostich catalog this past summer. I had planned to replace the rear main seal before the 20th anniversary of MARC. Instead I used Lucas seal

repair and it did work! Rode the bike over 13,000 miles and no trouble with the clutch. BMW or the older style of BMW has a dry clutch. With an oil drip from the rear seal it could spray out and get the clutch to slip.

Took about a week to do the work. Removed the transmission finally and clutch looked good. Minor oil leak. Had to find a 1 and 3/16ths socket to break loose the clutch back plate. Borrowed the tools from my friend Doug. Oil oozed out of the engine splines when the 30mm nut was removed! Inspected the main seal and decided to just replace the .75 cent O ring.

Did replace the clutch plate with the new one I had bought. This was the first time in 6 BMWs that I have owned and worked on to replace a clutch. That is around 380,000 miles of riding.

The main ground for the BMW K series is thru the starter. Removed the armature and cleaned the copper with a erasure. Then reinstalled that in the back of the engine. Finally all I needed to do was bleed the brakes. The ABS pump sits under the seat by the battery. Tried for 3 hours to at least get the brake lines to seal. Figured this bike with 17 years under its oil pan.. and more than 126,000 miles that the parts are wearing out. Or the mechanic that works on it is wearing them out.

Removed the pump and all the brake lines. Then attached the front brake reservoir to the front brakes and the rear also. There was brake lines that had the connections that worked!

Called Duane, "I need the rolling pins for the front rotors, can you make them?"

"Sure... but can I have some money for the work?"

"Yeah, that and how many trips to the local coffee shop?"

"Oh I spose you want these ASAP!"

" Well it would be nice, but I can wait."

"Are you doing Potosi.. in 2 weeks?"

"Plan to, why you want to go?" I reply.. My friend Hal who followed me out to Seattle had called the week earlier wanting to know if I was planning on Potosi, MO. I had agreed. Would be nice to have 3 bikes running the 12 hours one way on the back roads of Iowa and Missouri.

"Well this is going to cost you, Tim." Duane smiles, "What is the cost of these parts and what do you call them?"

"German engineers at BMW call them Buttons, I have seen that or Pins."

"Buttons it is!"

We waved as he rode off on his Suzuki 850. Exhaust burbling. I decided to ride up to see my cousin, Darrell and to do a maiden ride to make sure the bike is ride worthy.

Clutch and shifting no problem. Parked the bike on its side stand a few times and no oil ..err bike marking its territory... drip. Not holding my breath on that one either, eh?

take care and keep riding!

73

tim lindstrom, ab0ts

columbia heights, mn

1995 bmw k1100rs... 126,500+ miles

FROM YOUR '50/50' LADY
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NET DRAWING WINNERS: NETS ON 447.540 check in on the nets on Wednesday nights:

8/15-#8 Bonnie KD6OFQ, 8/22-#11 Jim KD6REA, 8/29- #1 John W5JFR, 9/5- #8 Chris AF6ZC receive \$5 of 50/50 tickets.

ECHOLINK: ...UP & RUNNING

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**50/50:**

Oh my I got to win (Bonnie KD6OFQ) & Chris AF6ZC each having some happy money of \$40 each...

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\$25 gift certificate donated by Huntington Honda won by

John W5JFR

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\$50 Suction Cup mount donated by COMET won by

Mike N6QZT

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"MARC" door prize donations:

Frogg Togg cooling towel won by Kile AF6YK

Frogg Togg cooling towel won by John W5JFR

Boraxo Heavy duty Hand Cleaner won by Alvin KD6UZM

Clip-lite won by Alvin KD6UZM

Computer lite won Scott K6IXQ

Boise paper won by John W5JFR

Laptop stand won by Alvin KD6UZM

1". 2" metal clamp won by Kile AF6YK

Pistachios won by Ray KD6FHN

Detachable weather station won by Mike N6QZT

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Thanks to the following members who donated gifts:

Mike Naron, John & Mijo Reynolds, Kile & Chris Nightingale

Very much appreciated..

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Gray ticket distributors Mike N6QZT/John W5JFR

Gray ticket winners - 1 Alvin KD6UZM Bag Tender

How many drawn -1

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Ticket di-sectors: Thanks to Teri Edwards, Chris Nightingale & Alvin for helping Mijo with the tickets and door prizes...

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**NEW MEMBERS: Please Welcome:**

9/8- James KF7YKP & Marie Burghard of Cheyenne, WY

9/29- Ben Berry K6EZN of San Juan Capistrano, CA

We are here for you and feel free to access the MARC list for technical information—Welcome aboard..

**MEETING:**

September meeting concentrated on the Surf 2 Summit Tour de Cure. Suggestions for the Special Prize for the annual Christmas party.. was maybe have two special ones...

**NEWSLETTER:**

Gee fall has crept up on us...where are your summer riding articles??? Many are not on the MARC list so it would be nice for them to read of your glorious time on your motor or other mode of transportation in the newsletter.....Thanks for your October articles.

**SUNSHINE CORNER:::**

We have several "MARC" members who need our love and prayers.....Each day we learn of someone who needs our prayers.. We do love and care about each and every one of you & your family as you are all our family..... Lots of Love & Prayers to all.

A special "Thank You" for those who are taking the time for our Fallen Military, ushering them to their final destination of rest.

Love and Prayers to All who are ill, had surgery, lost a loved one, we "MARC" are here for you day and night...as we care. Also for all the people who are out of work, homeless due circumstances beyond their control...

Special 2012 prayers for our troops.

We honor our Military for putting their lives in danger so we may live. Their families need our support and love as well. They need our support in anyway we can help..

Keep up the spirit... Love & Gratitude to all

**GOD BLESS AMERICA SUPPORT OUR TROOPS  
IN GOD WE TRUST**

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"MARC" 2012 CHRISTMAS PARTY

WHERE: CITRUS CAFÉ 714-258-2404

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DATE: DECEMBER 8, 2012

TIME: 6:30 PM Social DINNER AT 7 PM

COST: \$ 20 per person

Pick up the invite at the meetings....

Will need to know a head count by Tuesday

December the 4th.....

Put your thinking caps on as to what you would like for a Special Prize..... or for that matter any ideas you would like to see on the list.

OCTOBER BIRTHSTONE: OPAL

OCTOBER FLOWER: MARIGOLD

OCTOBER COLOUR: ORANGE

OCTOBER MEANING: Contentment, Excellence, Loveliness, Good Luck, Grace, Gratitude, Joy, Love of Nature, Comfort and True Love.....

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**Swim as fast as you can!!!** There are approximately 354 species of known sharks. It is estimated that two thirds of the shark's brain is used in connection with smelling. They can sense the odor of blood one quarter of a mile away. They can hear a struggling fish or a human swimmer more than a mile away...

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(In the background) John Edwards KC6ZOZ

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Pat Lewis KD6SBZ (Past 50/50 Lady)  
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Wayne Barringer WB6UJW (Past Web Master)

**MARC Equipment controller is Ray Davis KD6FHN**  
as we have most of the set-up equipment at  
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**"MARC" DUES:**

Dues are due yearly from January to January \$12 (USA & Canada) &  
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care...your choice..

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**Business card size:** \$15  
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**Full Page (8 1/2 x 11)** \$175  
Advertising for our "MARC" members is free.....

**October**

**By Robert Frost**

O hushed October morning mild,  
Thy leaves have ripened to the fall;  
Tomorrow's wind, if it be wild,  
Should waste them all.  
The crows above the forest call;  
Tomorrow they may form and go.  
O hushed October morning mild,  
Begin the hours of this day slow.  
Make the day seem to us less brief.  
Hearts not averse to being beguiled,  
Beguile us in the way you know.  
Release one leaf at break of day;  
At noon release another leaf;  
One from our trees, one far away.  
Retard the sun with gentle mist;  
Enchant the land with amethyst.  
Slow, slow!  
For the grapes' sake, if they were all,  
Whose leaves already are burnt with frost,  
Whose clustered fruit must else be lost—  
For the grapes' sake along the wall.

**OCTOBER IS NATIONAL BREAST CANCER  
AWARENESS MONTH**

Breast cancer is the second leading cause of death  
from cancer in American women.  
Estimated new cases and deaths from breast cancer in  
the United States in 2011:  
New cases: 230,480 (female); 2,140 (male)  
Deaths: 39,520 (female); 450 (male)  
Source:  
**"<http://www.cancer.gov/cancertopics/types/breast>"**

'the pink ribbon represents fear of breast cancer, hope  
for the future, and the charitable goodness of people  
and businesses who publicly support the breast cancer  
movement. Since then it has been like a call to action  
for women all over the world - no matter the color,  
race or age - to unite against this disease

## MOTORCYCLE BRACKETS

The following brackets are the ones we keep here at the house for our MARC members. **These are not sold by MARC..**

### **PTT Button Bracket**

Fits under the left handlebar module and positions the button so it is right where your left thumb is naturally under the left hand grip. Fits 1500 and 1800 Gold Wings and some other Honda models. Has been adapted to some other brands and models. Black anodized or plain aluminum available. Has standard 1/2" hole for PTT button. **Price \$10.00**

### **PTT Waterproof Button**

Has large rounded surface for your thumb, so your thumb does not get tired or sore with heavy use. Black in color. Fits in 1/2" hole on PTT Button Bracket. **Price \$13.00**

### **Antenna Bracket For 1/2" Tubular Trunk Racks**

Natural aluminum color only Fits coax with SO-239 fitting only for antennas with PL-259 fittings, can not be modified to use with NMO fittings. **Price \$25.00**

### **Antenna Bracket For Kuryakyn or American Flat Racks For The 1800 Gold Wings.**

Natural aluminum color only. The brackets are flat stock, bent so that the antenna is perfectly vertical, with 2, 8-32 threaded holes, so you have to drill 2 matching holes in the rear of your flat rack. Round head stainless steel screws hide the holes. **Price \$12.50**

### **Handlebar Brackets For HT's, Cell Phones, GPS's or Just About Anything Else**

We just have them for the Left side handlebars (**No more for the right side**). They fit the 1500 and 1800 Gold Wings and some other Honda's too. They are Black anodized and come with all mounting hardware. **Price \$25.00**

### **Polished Stainless Steel Trunk Rack Plates**

These 2 1/2" X 2 1/2" X .62" (1/16") SS plates are used by most of the MARC Members to keep from cracking the trunk lids. We have seen many cracked and busted trunk lids before we started putting these plates under the rear legs of the trunk racks. We have never seen a cracked lid when using these SS Plates. They fit under both the tubular and flat racks on the 1500 and 1800 Gold Wings.

**\$25 a set for polished plates**

**""PRICES DO NOT INCLUDE SHIPPING & HANDLING""**

**(Ray & I bought these as MARC could not afford to pay for 50-100 of these at a time so Checks go to Ray Davis (not MARC))**

## **Custom Cables for GPS and APRS – contact Chuck KG6NJP [kg6njp@pacbell.net](mailto:kg6njp@pacbell.net)**

### **Garmin GPS-18PC GPS power cable**

36" power cable assembly, with a 2A mini-ATO fuse in a weatherproof fuse holder. Adapts the Garmin GPS-18PC cigarette lighter adapter plug to "hard wired" for motorcycle or car. As described in the January 2005 MARC newsletter article about the GPS-18PC.

**Price: \$19.00**

### **Garmin GPS serial cable to Kenwood TH-D7A, TM-D700A or TM-D710A**

72" data cable with a **molded** right-angle 3/32" stereo plug on one end and a DE-9 **male** connector on the other end. Connects a standard Garmin GPS cable (**designed to plug into a PC**) to a Kenwood TH-D7A, M-D700A or TM-D710A. As described in the January 2005 MARC newsletter article about the GPS-18PC

**Price: \$19.00 Kit: \$9.00 Special lengths up to 72" – no extra charge**

### **IBM PC or compatible to Kenwood TH-D7A**

72" data cable with a **molded** right-angle 3/32" stereo plug on one end and a DE-9 **female** connector on the other end. Connects a PC with a standard **9-pin** serial port to a TH-D7A **only**.

**Price: \$19.00 Kit: \$9.00 Special lengths up to 72" – no extra charge**

### **Garmin 4-pin "round" plug to Kenwood TH-D7A, TM-D700A or TM-D710A**

72" data cable with a **molded** right-angle 3/32" stereo plug on one end and a right-angle "Garmin original-style" (4-pin) **round** connector plug on the other end. Connects a "classic" Garmin GPS with the "original" 4-pin round connector to a TH-D7A, M-D700A or TM-D710A. This cable does **not** provide power to the GPS...!

**Price: \$24.00 Kit: \$14.00 Special lengths up to 72" – no extra charge**

### **Garmin "eTrex-type" plug to Kenwood TH-D7A, TM-D700A or TM-D710A**

72" data cable with a **molded** right-angle 3/32" stereo plug on one end and a Garmin "eTrex-style" **flat** connector on the other end. Connects a Garmin GPS with the "eTrex-type" connector to a TH-D7A, M-D700A or TM-D710A. This cable does **not** provide power to the GPS...!

**Price: \$24.00 Kit: \$14.00 Special lengths up to 72" – no extra charge**

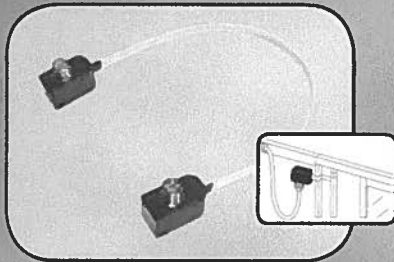
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**ALERT::::::If any "MARC" members World-wide have APRS (or are working on it) and are not on the MARC World-wide APRS Capabilities list (distributed earlier with the Newsletter), please email your APRS information if you need help in selecting appropriate equipment, please email me your questions.**

Thank you...! **Chuck KG6NJP** [kg6njp@pacbell.net](mailto:kg6njp@pacbell.net)



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Enjoy the ride!



**NEW! COMET CTC-50M  
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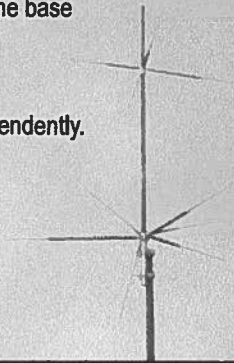
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Weight: 5lbs 7oz  
Conn: SO-239  
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Each band tunes independently.  
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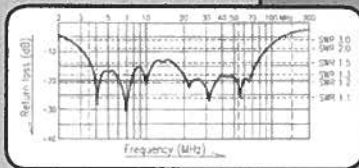
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Max Wind Speed: 67 MPH



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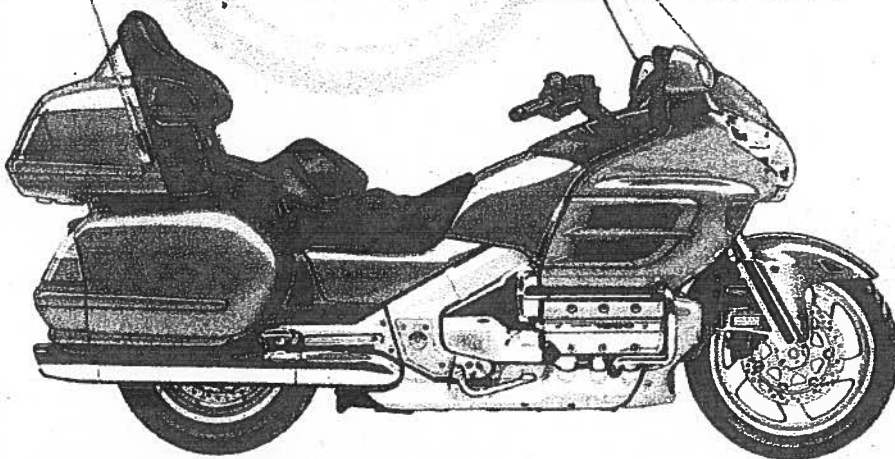
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- OCT** 3,10,17,24,31- "MARC" NET ON THE BARN SYSTEM 447.540 PL 100(SUBJECT TO CHANGE)  
3-5-FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS MEMORIAL WEEKEND  
8- COLUMBUS DAY  
13- "MARC" BREAKFAST MEETING HOMETOWN BUFFET (DOOR OPENS @ 7am & SERVE @ 7:30am)  
20,21- MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS 150  
26- PAT & ANDY'S CRUISE WEDDING(:))SS-CONGRATULATIONS!!  
31- SAFE SCARY HAPPY HALLOWEEN  
\*\*OCTOBER IS NATIONAL BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH.....
- NOV** 4- DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS  
6- DON'T FORGET TO VOTE (OUR LIVES DEPENDS ON IT)  
7,14,21,28- "MARC" NET ON THE BARN SYSTEM 447.540 PL 100 (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)  
10- "MARC" BREAKFAST MEETING HOMETOWN BUFFET (DOOR OPENS @7am SERVE@ 7:30AM)  
11-VETERAN'S DAY  
22- THANKSGIVING DAY( ENJOY YOUR LOVED ONES, FAMILY & FRIENDS)  
\*\*NOVEMBER IS AMERICAN DIABETES AWARENESS MONTH.....
- DEC** 5,12,19,26- "MARC" NET ON THE BARN SYSTEM 447.540 PL 100 (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)  
8- "MARC" CHRISTMAS PARTY @ CITRUS CAFE 1481 EDINGER AVE @ RED HILL, TUSTIN, CA  
7- REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR DAY  
21- FIRST DAY OF WINTER  
25- MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EACH & YOUR FAMILY & TO OUR FRIENDS  
31- NEW YEAR'S EVE HAVE A GREAT ONE

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