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**FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK:**

We have some very important new additions and changes to the MARC Staff. They are so important to the continuing growth of MARC that I will start with them, but in no particular order, so we don't offend anyone.

"PLEASE" subscribe to the new "MARCLIST" at losborn@teleport.com (all lower case). We now have over 80 MARC members, (that's over 25% of our total membership) on the internet. So if we can get them all to subscribe to the MARCLIST we will be able to pass messages back and forth, that everyone can read and be aware what's going on with MARC on a daily basis.

"THANK KC7MZ LEWIS"

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The new "MARC LIST" has a new e-mail address. It is, marc-l@teleport.com, (all lower case letters) Make sure the "ell" after the, marc-, is a lower case ell not a one. All MARC members who are on our e-mail roster will start out receiving all postings to the "MARC LIST". If you are not interested and don't want to receive the "MARC LIST", SEND A MESSAGE TO Majordomo@teleport.com with "NO" subject and, unsubscribe marc-l, in the text with your user name/or your e-mail address. I hope, however, that you will give this new MARC venture a chance by not only reading the messages that are posted by your fellow MARC members, but will contribute and

respond, as well. This is too good a medium to pass up. "Anything" that you feel would be of interest to other MARC members is acceptable. We have also opened the "MARC LIST" to anyone who wants to subscribe to it in hopes it will draw more input. And I hope it does, the "MARC LIST" gets to big in the future we could close it for MARC members only. OK gang. Let's get this important new communications tool into high gear. Maybe we can get KC7MZ Lewis to write an article on the difference between a LIST and DIGEST and how the SERVERS handle each for a future newsletter. We all owe Lewis a big "thank you" for the work he has done getting the MARC LIST up and running. Thank you Lewis...

Now, for all our MARC members who are HF enthusiasts, we have some really terrific news. "KS4XI EARL" from Memphis, TN has volunteered to take over the HF net in KC6NDC Steve's absence. We understand Steve has changed hours at work and is no longer available for net time. Earl has the power and the antennas to do a good job getting out, depending on the provocation and all those other things that affect HF. Earl will air on Tuesday at 4 P.M. California time, 6 P.M. his time, on 20 meters at 14.340 USB, 40 meters 7.290 LSB at 5 P.M. California Time. California goes off day light savings time Saturday October 27th returning us to PST until next April. Lets welcome KS4XI Earl

and get out there and support his HF net efforts. A BIG THANK YOU TO EARL.

At the September MARC breakfast meeting a vote was taken to see if we wanted another Super Raffle to be drawn for at the December meeting. The vote was almost a unanimous yes. So Bonnie ordered an I-COM W31A dual band HT so we could start selling tickets at the Oct. MARC picnic meeting.

At the August MARC breakfast meeting we were pleasantly surprised by a visit from WA6WZO Fried Heyn and his lovely xyl WA6WZN Sandy. Fried is the SW Division Director for the ARRL. Thanks for coming by and saying hi to all the members Fried and Sandy.

Also, KM6NP Michael, owner of Electronic Times came by so we could get a look at his new Honda Valkyrie. I ask him if I could borrow it for the week end, but I wasn't terribly surprised by his answer. You have to learn to live with disappointment, hi hi.

On Saturday September 7th, (yes, we had already gotten home from the Three Flags ride the day before) AB5GR Ed and his xyl Judy from Rodgers, AR, their daughter and granddaughters from CA. met many MARC members at Huntington Honda for coffee and donuts. From Huntington Honda many of us went with his family over to Electronic Times where Ed spent some big bucks for equipment to get his ham radio gear functional on his motorcycle. Thanks

for letting us know you were coming so we got to meet you, Ed & Judy.

Talking about the SCMA Three Flags Classic, we had 17 present members and three new members join us on the 1996 SCMA Three Flags Classic this year. Those members, KYY Bill & his xyl Judy from Newnan, GA, KGQ Jim & his xyl Anne, TVQ Chuck, TVS Jan, DGL Tom, DGM Dave, HEL Dean, AC6IV Ralph & his xyl Cheryl, ZVZ Jim, KN6P Carroll, ZHG Dave, WH6BJ John, OFQ Bonnie & FHN Ray. New members who joined MARC while on this ride were WG6H Bill, James Howard & Gary Tanji. A great trip, with no accidents or break downs amongst the MARC members. As always, many of us gathered in the pub after we got signed in at the finish and registered at the hotel. Next year the Three Flags Classic leaves Nogales, MX and ends in Moosejaw, Saskatchewan. Our own KE6TVS Jan is the chairperson for next years ride. Lets start planning now for next years ride and really do a good job for her.

Whoaa, the September MARC breakfast meeting looked like it was going to be a bust at 7:50 A.M. but by 8:10 A.M. the 50 seating places were nearly full. I guess sending out those reminder cards and announcing that IKX Dick & uk De Witt had made arrangements for us to go to the LA Harbor for a private guided tour of the LAFD Fire Boat #2 got everyone interested. The Fire Boat Tour really turned out to be successful as 30 members formed a caravan down to the Harbor. However Dick, 75 mph, is a little fast for a leader to take a group of 30, 20 miles through town, even for a slow poke like me. "Just kidding Dick" I wish we could get others to take us on some of these well planned and coordinated after meeting excursions. Thanks again Dick & De Witt.

Coming events, ar the Multiple Sclerosis 150 bicycle ride Sat/Sun Oct 5th & 6th which is history by the time you read this.

Saturday October 12th is the annual MARC picnic meeting starting at 10 A.M. at Yorba Regional Park. Look for the map & directions elsewhere in this edition. Mick & Jim from Comet/NCG will be there with their families. We look for some great door prizes again this year. If you aren't already signed up for the picnic & find out at the last

minute that you can come just give us a call and prepare your favorite dish. Last year we had nearly 70 members attend.

Also, Saturday October 12th at 4:45 P.M., my daughter is coming in from Orlando, FL at the Ontario Airport for a weeks visit.

Sunday October 20th is the 3rd annual Tom & Marcie Smith Memorial Orangewood Toy Motorcycle Ride. Sign in is from 7:30 A.M. to 9 A.M. The registration fee is \$3 plus an unwrapped toy or gift. The Brea Mall is West of the 57 FWY, so if you are going North on 57, turn left onto Imperial at the end of the ramp, go to second signal, turn right into the mall. The sign I saw when I checked was Brea Village. We have 18 motorcycles signed up for this event. We will post further info on the MARCLIST on e-mail and make final plans for a meeting place at the Oct Picnic.

Saturday October 26th is the date for the American Heart Association's "Heart & Sole Classic" So far we have 18 MARC members raring to go for this event. This is always one of the easiest and shortest events of the year to work. We start at 8 A.M. and are thru by 11 A.M. Again, more details of this event will be forth coming at the Oct Picnic, and then of course if there are any last minute changes we send out cards or better yet we call you personally.

The weekend of November 1st, 2nd & 3rd Bonnie & I, along with UUD Bill & Willy, will attend the IBMC Campout at Windsor Beach/Lake Havasu City, AZ. We will leave Thursday Oct 31st and spend the night in Laughlin, NV at the Edgewater Hotel & Casino and leave from there Friday A.M. for Lake Havasu City. If anyone else cares to join us, let us know...

Here's a list of this summers rides that Ray took, starting June 3rd: (1) USA Four Corners, (2) Wing Ding, Madison via Mitchell, SD and back the same way (3) Bonnie & Ray went back to Mitchell, SD for Rays 45th High school reunion on August 3rd, taking the quadra-cycle (4) SCMA Three Flags Classic (Mexicali, MX to Kelowna, BC) (5) after the Sept meeting & ride, Ray headed for Mitchell, SD again to be with my mother on her 92nd birthday. He put on two new rear tires, 1 new front tire and changed oil 5 times for a total of approximately 24,500 miles. The bike ran perfectly

the entire summer and the ham radio equipment was bullet proof. Total miles on bike is 172,555 miles. The speedometer reads 164,055 but at about 8500 miles while on the USA Four corners the first year the speedometer broke and had to be replaced. After we got done with all this months charity events I plan on having some major service done to it.

Hey, we got a picture of my motorcycle with all the antennas on it and the call sign license plate showing in the Sept. issue of CQ magazine, page 234. Only trouble is, it's the Japanese version of CQ and we can't read it. Although there is a sheet of paper with it with the English version.

I want to especially thank N6EDY Billy for doing the Wednesday night MARC 2-meter net for Bonnie and I all summer. I love to do the net as I always enjoy talking to all our loyal MARC members each Wednesday night. But the summer break was good, too. Billy did such a great job in relief that he could easily be voted to the permanent position. Thanks again, Billy, we love ya...

Also a big thank you to KM6UK De Witt is deserved too, as he took over and did the honors at several of the monthly MARC breakfast meetings, too. Thank you De Witt and you know we love ya like a brother...

Certainly, all the MARC staff members deserve all the thanks and support we can give them. Please, take a few seconds to go back and look at first page of this newsletter and remember those names of our staff. They deserve your support and your thanks for all the efforts they put onto nets, e-mail, packet, newsletters, picnic, breakfasts, door prizes, charity event coordinators. Did I miss anything or anyone. And again, from the very first paragraph of this article, PLEASE help us get the "MARCLIST" going...

November 10th brings us the Love Ride 96, as time progresses there will be more on this event, not to worry as we have two more meetings and a newsletter plus the MARCLIST now and the Wednesday night 2-meter nets to continually add to info on this great charity event. I know NXC John and PSD Gary have been attending all the committee meetings so I know everything is in good hands at this time. Let's get the events for October out of the way.

**ONE CHARITY EVENT DOWN:** This is a last minute rush job to get the MS 150 bicycle ride report into the newsletter before going to the printer.

Every year the Multiple Sclerosis 150 bicycle ride gets larger and of course this year was no exception. They had over 775 registered riders and raised over \$200,000 for MS victims this year, more accurate figures later. In my mind, there isn't a harder working group of volunteers for this event then the MARC members. The MARC members did everything asked of them, and more. We had our MARC members volunteering to help where ever help was needed. SAG vehicles, bicycle repair vehicles, rest stops, course directors and all around cheer leaders for those tired bicycle riders.. The first days bicycle route was relatively simple and we didn't have much trouble with people getting lost. But the Sunday portion of the ride was very confusing. The last 10 miles of the ride didn't have any arrow markers on it and some streets didn't have street signs at the corner where the riders were suppose to make a turn. The organizers asked MARC members to help out by standing at some of these locations to direct the riders. Thank goodness all the MARC members responded to every request for assistance from the MS staff. We were even delivering water & supplies to rest stops. EDY Billy was on the course late Saturday afternoon with two large boxes of lunch bags for those bicyclists that were too late to get to the lunch stop. All the motorcycles were carrying course arrow signs for the Saturday ride, but they were taken away from us because they were needed Sunday morning, as the person putting out the signs for the Sunday route ran out of signs. So MVN Mark volunteered to race down to San Diego and meet up with him. All-in-all everything got accomplished with as little confusion as possible. The one person I really have to give credit to for his patience and cool demeanor under the most hectic and trying circumstances is KA6NLY Dave who was NET CONTROL for the event for both days. He did an outstanding job. Like he said to me at one of the MS steering committee meetings prior to the event, "Smile, be patient, be understanding, be kind & courteous and above all HAVE FUN, and we all certainly did that.

Those MARC members who participated in this event either day in "any" capacity, in no particular order were, BEB-Mijo, BIS-Norma, BIT-Gary, EDY-Billy, ERC-Dolly, FHN-Ray, HEL-Dean, IEM-Hugh, IKX-Dick, KSP-Mack, KJ7LI-Terry, MVN-Mark, NFF-Steve, NXC-John, OFQ-Bonnie, who put out reams and reams of paper for MARC signs, maps, lists of call-sign & names & street routes, PHI-Conrad, PSD-Gary, SBZ-Pat, TVT-Bob, UAM(Ugly And Mean) John,(you said it, not me), KM6UK De Witt, who literally got out of his sick bed to come out to help us both days when he heard us on the radio and it sounded like we could use more help, UUD-Bill and his son Willy, Willy was a great inspiration for all of us, as he volunteered for every job that come up, and ZHG Dave. God Bless you all and thank you from the 775 bicyclists, the MS staff members and of course all those with Multiple Sclerosis. You all did an outstanding job. Be Proud.

#### "SAFE RIDES & CLEAR FREQUENCIES"

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#### FROM YOUR 2VP AND LOVE RIDE COORDINATOR:

Fall is here and it is time to start riding again. We have several rides coming up in the near future. The MS 150 is a big one and then there is the Love Ride. I still need more motorcycles for escort duty between Glendale and Castaic. If we don't get more I will have to ask some riders to make a return trip to escort a second group. So come join us on 10 November for the Love Ride and listen to Cosby, Stills and Nash at the park.

The big news, at least for me, is that I now have a Monterey green 1997 Goldwing SE and I am motorcycle mobile. I mounted my Kenwood 742 on it and it is all tested and ready for the MS 150, the Heart & Sole Classic and then the Love Ride. Again I will say lets have some fun, come and join me "Motorcycle Mobile" and we will do some riding and talking together.

John KD6NXC

#### TECH REPORT: (KD6FHN-RAY)

This will be a short but important tech report for those MARC members who own the Comet 2780 2-meter-440, dual band antenna and have not yet had them fiberglassed.

I ran a stock Comet 2780 antenna about 25, 000 miles this summer with nothing but a 40 lb test piece of monofilament fishing line attached just above the center phasing coil and the other end of the line attached to a piece of coat hanger, bent to look like a big fish hook, so it can be easily snapped on and off the front part of the trunk rack, so the antenna can be removed at anytime without untying the fish string at either the antenna or the trunk rack. Now of course this was on a Honda Goldwing with the antenna mounted off the back of the Markland trunk rack using an Electronic Times mounting bracket. This simple procedure will work using any type of non-metallic string or any weight monofilament line. I tried 80 lb test line first, but that was a little too much. The one piece of 40 lb test line lasted the whole summer. This procedure sure beats the mess of fiberglassing and the fish line is almost impossible to see.

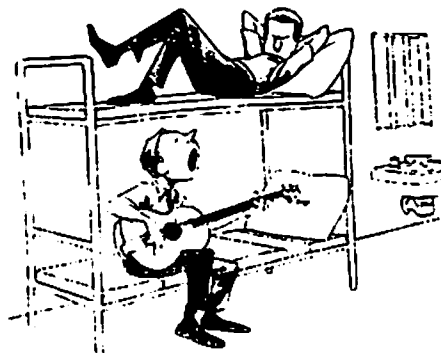
If anyone has tried something else and found it to work, let us know,, and write us a newsletter article on it.

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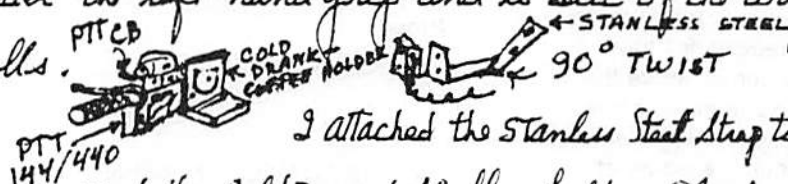


Dear Ray, Bonnie & De Witt:

After arriving home from our 4,000+ mile fun ride, Judy and I wanted to thank you and all the M.A.R.C. members who were at Huntington Honda on Sep 7<sup>th</sup> A.M. so we could meet them and for making us feel so welcome.

The help and advice you gave me Ray at E.T. (Electronic Times) and their expertise, was unexpected. Thank you.

The Kenwood 732<sup>A</sup> with the Z750 Antenna by Comet and the Bracket from E.T. is an outstanding mach. I had no problems with any of the components I put on in Ca.. The PTT was very easy to mount under the left hand grip and is out of the way of all M/C Controls.



I attached the stainless steel strap to the mounting bracket of the Cold Drank/Coffee holder. As I now have two (2) mic's, I needed a larger cover. Radio Shack part #35373. The trunk rack was grounded to the M/C frame. The only step left is to put in a set of speakers for Judy's helmet.

After we left Ft. Lruin, where we were visiting our Grand daughter, we went to Las Vegas to visit one of our sons who lives there. Then the FUN began. Four (4) days of riding the roads of Colo. before heading back to Arkansas. We had a Wonderful Vacation thanks to the folks at Huntington Honda, Electronic Times and all the friends and NEW friends we got to meet through M.A.R.C. while on our short stay in Ca.

Thank You

73 & 88°

Ed and Judy Schreck AB5G

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- Equestrian, bicycling and hiking trails.
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- Lighted ball diamonds and play fields, concession building
- Fishing lakes with connecting streams.
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- Ten station exercise course.

For information on ball diamonds and play fields, telephone Anaheim Parks & Recreation: 714/999-5191.

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- Horses permitted on equestrian trails only.
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- Domestic animals must be restrained by a leash at all times (6 foot maximum).
- Swimming or wading is not permitted in the lakes, streams or in the Santa Ana River.
- Anglers must comply with State Fish and Game codes, including the possession of a valid fishing license for all those age 16 and over.
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- Skateboarding and rollerskating prohibited.
- Please put all garbage and litter in trash receptacles.

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## YORBA REGIONAL PARK HISTORY

The lands which comprise Yorba Regional Park were once part of an expansive cattle ranch belonging to Bernardo Yorba. This Mexican period land grant totalled 13,328½ acres on the north side of the Santa Ana River and was called *Rancho Canon de Santa Ana* (Canyon of St. Anne).

Bernardo continued the tradition of cattle ranching begun years earlier by his father, Jose Antonio Yorba, a Spanish soldier with the Portola Expedition of 1769. Jose Antonio had received a grant of over 62,000 acres of land on the south side of the river as early as 1810. This was called *Rancho Santiago de Santa Ana*.

The center of life on Bernardo's rancho was a 2-story adobe called, *San Antonio*. Unfortunately, it was demolished around 1926. In addition to cattle, other animals were raised, namely sheep, mules, burros, oxen and horses. Crops such as corn, beans, wheat, pumpkin and even watermelons were grown. Grapes were planted for wine and many orchards graced the property, producing various fruits, walnuts, figs and olives. Various field crops have been cultivated since then, and the site of the park, once served as a hog farm. The tradition of agriculture remained in the area of Yorba Park long after the settlement of Yorba disappeared.

## PARK ACQUISITION

A total of 166 acres were purchased on June 20, 1972 at a cost of \$3.6 million. The 3 county agencies involved in the acquisition were the Road Department, the Flood Control District and Harbors, Beaches and Parks District. They are now all part of Orange County's Environmental Management Agency. Some of the acreage was designated for the extension and widening of La Palma Ave., and additional lands may be used in future flood control projects. However, the majority of the acquisition, some 149 acres, will be used for recreation purposes.

Under a grant from the U.S. Dept. of the Interior, Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, Orange County was reimbursed \$1.3 million for the acquisition of land for the Yorba Park project. A formal announcement of this grant was made in January of 1972 by the wife of then Secretary of the Interior, Rogers C. B. Morton. Mrs. Morton visited both the Yorba Park site and the then newly completed Featherly Regional Park.

HEAR YE!! HEAR YE!!

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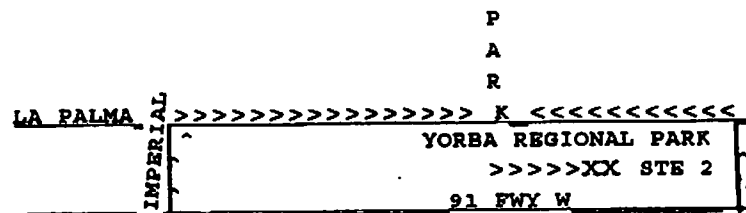
GAMES FOR THE YOUNGER SET

TICKETS FOR THE I-COM W31A HT RADIO

SEE KD6SBZ PAT

LOTS OF NEAT DOOR PRIZES

SEE KF6BEB MIJO



91 FWY E  
THOSE GOING EAST TAKE IMPERIAL HWY LEFT TO LA PALMA  
RIGHT 2.3 MILES FROM FWY TO PARK  
THOSE GOING WEST TAKE WEIR CYN/YORBA LINDA BLVD RIGHT  
TO LA PALMA LEFT 1.2 MILES FROM FWY TO PARK

N6EDY BILLY/KE6BIT GARY (IN CHARGE OF GAMES)

**INFO FROM YOUR 50/50 LADIES:  
PAT KD6SBZ/ MIJO KF6BEB**

Responding to the Wednesday nite nets the past two months were the following: 7/31 N6KBI Ken (\$5), 8/7 KE6HFF Jeff, 8/14 KD6FHN Ray(\$5), 8/21 KE6TVT Bob, 8/28 WA6KOA Harry, 9/4 KE6PSD Gary(\$5), 9/11 WB6RSD Ron(\$5), 9/18 KD6AHS Linda, 9/25 KJ7LI Terry (\$5), 10/2 KA6BWZ Jerry (\$5). Remember in order to win \$5 you have to respond back or be an early bird check-in, when KD6SBZ Pat or KF6BEB Mijo calls your name and call sign and come to the next meeting to collect. In case you can't get through the air waves give someone a quick call and let them know you were trying to get through.

The following were 50/525/25 winners for the August 10th breakfast were KE6UUD Bill and KD6ERC Dolly.. Special door prizes winners were \$40 gift certificate from Huntington Honda-N6MHN Rich, FL62S2 mtr dual band antenna (NCG Corp-Comet)-AC6IV Ralph, Mini Battery Checker from NCG Corp- KC6PHI Conrad, World Radio Subscription, KD6VAN Bob, Personal Safety Strobe(MARC) KE6TVT Bob, & MARC shirt, Jonathan, a visitor. Other door prize donators were KD6FLP Danny, N6EDY Billy, KM6UK De Witt and Fried Heyn from ARRL... We would like to take a minute and thank KE6RDB Kevin who drew the tickets for the door prizes. BILLIE, OUR WAITRESS DID IT AGAIN, THANK YOU BILLIE...

Our 50/25/25 winners for the September breakfast were; KE6JFO Gary and KD6NXC John. Our special door prizewinners/donators were; \$40 gift certificate from Huntington Honda-N6EDY Billy, Galaxy extension speaker from Electronic Times, Comet/NCG XL shirt-KD6MVN Mark, NCG(COMET) mini battery checker- KE6JFO Gary, FL62S Comet antenna from "MARC"-KE6UUB Bill. Many thanks to Willy our only ticket puller THANK YOU BILLIE & DAWN, WHO DID A GREAT JOB SERVING OUR BREAKFAST.

DON'T FORGET OUR SUPER RAFFLE TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE AT THE OCTOBER PICNIC.

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**ODDS & ENDS FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER:  
BONNIE KD6OFQ**

We have had the following new members since July 22nd: KJ7UN Laura, KF4KYY Bill, KH6HBZ Peter, N6UBW Mike, KC6DXR Deborah, KE6UKV Walt, KB0UWX Chuck, WG6H Bill, KF6FOT John, KD6UZM Alvin, N2TQW Jonathan, KC7FUZ Maynard, KC7CCL Heidi, VA3PSH Peter along with James Howard and Gary Tanji. A WARM WELCOME ABOARD from all MARC members and if you need help, questions answered feel free to give us a call, fax, e-mail or just drop by, as Ray or myself are usually around. I may not be able to answer all technical inquiries but I sure try.

Our annual potluck picnic in the park will be October 12th at 10 A.M. in Yorba Regional Park, Anaheim, we have shelter #2

which is very close to the gate (signs will be posted). There is rest rooms close by, horse pits, volley ball court, a small pond but not to play in, a playground for the kiddies. The shelter has 7 sets of tables 3 in each set along with two tables in center where the door prizes etc will be with 3 double BBQs. There is a \$4 entrance fee. This is a chance for togetherness, fun and plain old chatting which is hard to do at the regular meetings. Look for the man in the red gear, that will be N6EDY Billy, in charge of the games, etc for the adults and KE6BIT Gary has volunteered to assist with all games big and small. Thanks Gary. We ladies ought to team up and give the guys a run for their "call-signs". We have Bocci ball, Horseshoe, Tailspin Darts (safe kind) & Football target games for the younger set.

Hot dogs, hamburger, chicken, drinks, condiments, eating utensils, plates/cups, napkins will all be handled and I think Ray said he would fix his favorite dish... Anyway as I said before bring your favorite dish and yourselves for a day of fun. We have the shelter from 8 A.M. until 9 P.M. if we want so you can bring your lawn chairs for extra easy sitting or a blanket to relax on, whatever..

I am really looking forward to the day when all our members are repaired, healthy, up and around with no canes, no hospitals just feeling good again. Keep your spirits high, I hope it helps a little to know how very much warm thoughts of you all are so often with each of us..We care..we are here for you if you want to shed a tear on a shoulder, scream, holler or whatever, we are here and we love you.

**"MARC" MEMBERS IN OTHER STATES, MIKE TRAYNOR OF THE PEDIATRIC BRAIN TUMOR FOUNDATION OF THE U.S.(PBTFS) 315 RIDGEFIELD CT., ASHEVILLE, NC 28806-800-253-6530, WOULD LIKE ASSISTANCE FROM "MARC" MEMBERS WHEN THEY HAVE THE RIDE IN THE OTHER STATES. CONTACT RAY OR I IF YOU CAN'T LOCATE MIKE...THANK YOU**  
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We were asked to assist on the BMW CLUB OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA'S First Poker run ride on Saturday October 19th, 1996. Check-in time 8 A.M.-10 A.M. at Brown Motor Works, 845 W. Mission Blvd, Pomona, CA. \$10 entry donation-Percentage of donations go toward the Marconi Foundation for Pediatric Aids. All motorcycles invited. Ride pins to the 1st 200 riders and other prizes at end of ride along with chili, cold drinks. It was a short notice for us but if anyone is available and would like to assist as a MARC member doing communications contact Vic Knoth at 619-245-6688(MARC member) We would like to be given the opportunity again with more notice, at least a 3 month lead-in. Thank you for the asking.



# ACTIVIST REVIEW

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## New law to prevent motorcyclist discrimination

A health-insurance reform act signed into law by President Bill Clinton on August 21 could help end discrimination against motorcyclists in the workplace.

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, passed by Congress in the waning hours of its summer session, could prohibit employers from denying health-insurance benefits to employees who are injured while riding motorcycles. Language specifically protecting motorcycling has been included in the legislative intent of the bill through the efforts of the AMA and the Motorcycle Riders Foundation.

The movement to safeguard health benefits for motorcyclists began earlier this year when Congress started shaping a plan to ensure that employees wouldn't lose health benefits when they change jobs. Recognizing an opportunity to combat the growing tendency among employers to restrict or deny health insurance to motorcyclists, the AMA entered into discussions with key House and Senate members.

AMA Washington Representative Rob Dingman, with assistance from Wayne Curtin, vice president of the Motorcycle Riders Foundation, wrote proposed language guaranteeing that protections for motorcyclists would be included in the final legislation. A congressional report on the final version of the bill demonstrates the success of that effort.

"The inclusion of evidence of insurability in the definition of health status," it notes, "is intended to ensure, among other things, that individuals are not excluded from health-care coverage due to their participation in activities such as motorcycling, snowmobiling, all-terrain vehicle riding, horseback riding, skiing and other similar activities."

"This could well be the most important piece of motorcyclist rights legislation ever enacted by Congress," noted Dingman. "Many people faced with the choice of riding without coverage have given up motorcycling, knowing they may be one accident away from financial disaster. This new law will rectify that situation and ensure that motorcycling employees are treated just like other workers."

## AMA explains new federal protections

The American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) brought together members of the motorcycle press and industry leaders August 28 to explain anticipated changes resulting from enactment of the new federal health-insurance reform act.

The AMA press conference, held in Long Beach, California, was designed to provide the motorcycle community with more information about the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, which prohibits employers from withholding or restricting health-care benefits for employees who ride motorcycles.

"The increasing trend among some

employers to deny health-care benefits to employees who ride motorcycles has come to an end as of August 21 with President Clinton's signature on this bill," noted AMA Washington Representative Rob Dingman.

Dingman thanked the Motorcycle Riders Foundation and ABATE of Illinois, among other groups, for helping the AMA ensure that motorcyclists would be included in this landmark measure, but he pointed out that passage of the new law is only the first step in securing equal treatment for motorcyclists.

"Although enactment of this legislation is a giant leap forward in efforts to end health-benefit discrimination against motorcyclists," Dingman said, "we still have our work cut out in ensuring that the new law is adhered to. We will have to work with regulators to make certain that implementing regulations reinforce the will of Congress. And we will have to monitor the activities of companies currently not in compliance to ensure that they implement appropriate changes."

Companies seeking help in conforming to the new federal standards will be able to benefit from a revolutionary new program—the AMA Fair Coverage Project—announced by AMA President Ed Youngblood.

Youngblood took the podium and briefly detailed the AMA's long history of dealing with companies and organizations that have excluded motorcyclists from their health plans. He noted that the rising incidence of this form of discrimination led the Association's Board of Trustees to establish a \$100,000 fund specifically to combat this problem. And he reviewed recent successes in overturning discriminatory health plans.

With passage of the new federal law, however, Youngblood noted that this effort has moved into a new phase. Through the Fair Coverage Project, the

AMA is offering to assist employers in developing group health plans that will satisfy federal law, provide coverage to motorcycling employees and satisfy the company's fiscal needs as well.

Displaying a copy of an advertisement in the August 28 edition of the Wall Street Journal promoting the new employer outreach program, Youngblood outlined the details of the Fair Coverage Project.

"In the past," he said, "we have encountered numerous situations where companies had excluded motorcyclists from their employee group health plans. We worked hard to demonstrate to these companies that policies of this sort were blatantly unfair and could not be justified by any actuarial analysis. However, we were limited in our ability to confront these discriminatory policies."

"With the enactment of the health-insurance reform act, the playing field has shifted," he continued. "Now, it is not only unfair and unreasonable for a company to deny health-insurance coverage to a motorcycling employee, it is also illegal."

"The AMA Fair Coverage Project is designed to provide assistance to companies that are now required to comply with the new federal mandates and provide the same insurance coverage for their motorcycling employees as they do for their other workers. We have insurance-industry consultants who are familiar with the intricacies of group health plans, understand the needs of motorcyclists and are sensitive to the demands placed upon group health administrators. We will make available the expertise we've assembled to companies that would like assistance in revising their health-care plans in order to satisfy federal law."

"As the ad headline states," Youngblood concluded, "There are options, and we're here to help."

Employers interested in getting more information about the program can write to: AMA Fair Coverage Project, 33 Collegeview Road, Westerville, OH 43081-1484. Interested companies can also contact the AMA by phone at (614) 891-2425.

## California Legislature votes to end residential motorcycle bans

A bill that would prevent private communities in California from banning street-legal motorcycles on their roadways has been approved by the state Legislature and sent to Governor Pete Wilson for his signature.

The legislation—California Assembly Bill 3056—is a direct outgrowth of an ongoing legal battle between the AMA and the property owners association in Canyon Lake, a private community in Southern California that prohibits motorcycle use on its streets. As originally drafted, the bill would have eliminated all motorcycle bans in private communities throughout the state. But after strong lobbying by Canyon Lake representatives, the bill was amended in the Senate to prohibit only those bans implemented after January 1, 1997.

"While our primary goal of reversing Canyon Lake's motorcycle ban was not achieved by the passage of this bill," noted Robert Rasor, vice president of the government relations for the AMA, "we have succeeded in eliminating the possibility of any future Canyon Lakes."

"There is absolutely no reason to prohibit a motorcyclist from riding a street-legal motorcycle to his or her home as the property owners association in Canyon Lake does. We will continue to fight this arbitrary and unreasonable rule in the courts."

The AMA's case against the Canyon Lake Property Owners Association is currently before the California Appellate Court.



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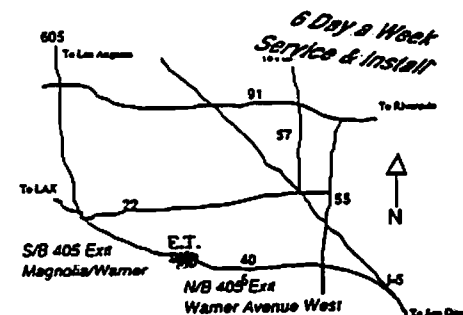
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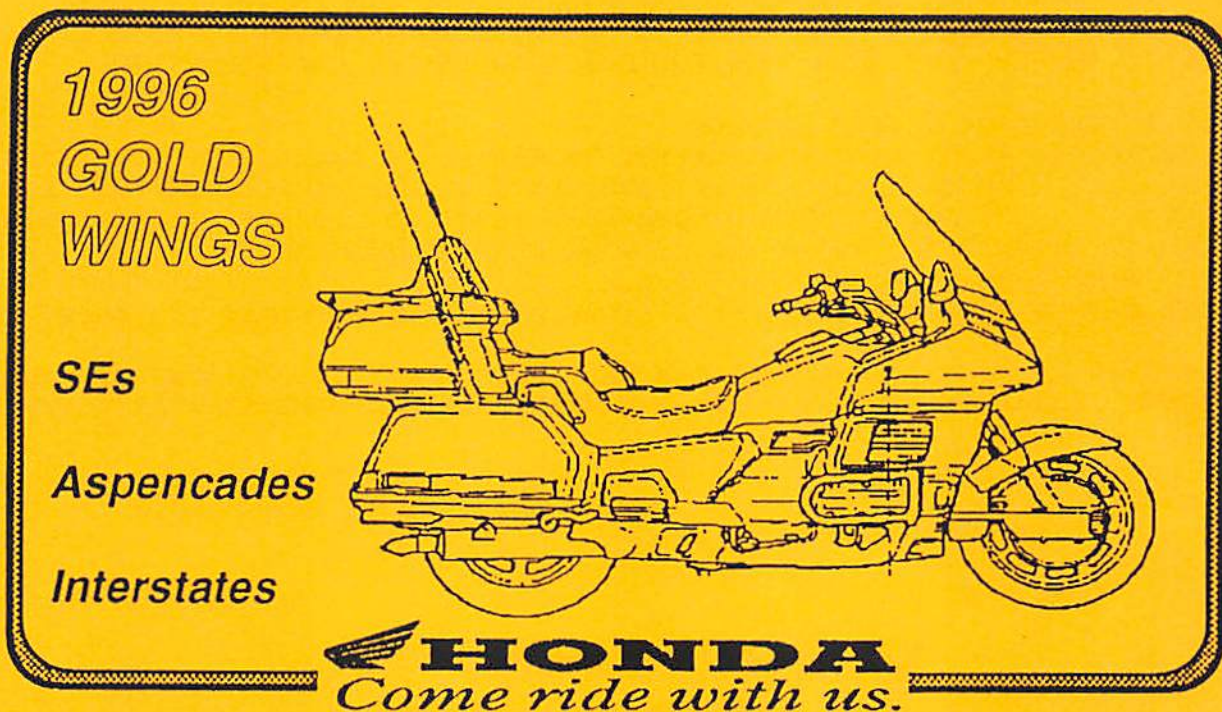
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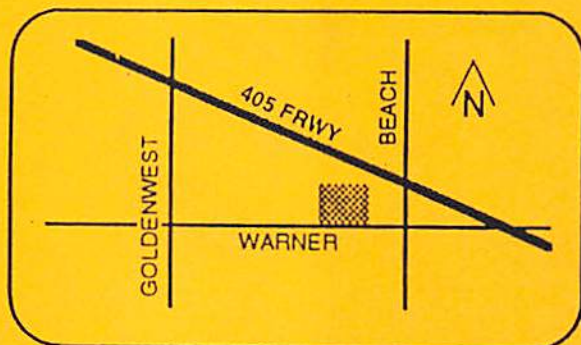


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