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From The President's Desk::

It is the first of December and how many shopping days are left? I still haven't done my Christmas shopping. Perhaps I can sneak out one day soon and see if I can find something nice for friends and loved ones, who I have not yet found something for this year.

Did you see the Grinch at last month's meeting? Yes, I found my red and green Christmas hat with the "Bah Humbug" on it. No there wasn't a turkey at the meeting after all. The Turkey will be on our dinner plate at the December MARC meeting. Remember, this will be an evening meeting at the Lakeview Café. I am looking forward to an evening with all my MARC friends. The super drawing for December also promises to be grand. I sure could use the tires from Huntington Honda on my Goldwing. There will also be a Kenwood THD 700A (from MARC), a Honey Baked Ham (from our friends at NCG/Comet), dinner for two (from Billy N6EDY) and quite possibly more. Please come and join us for this MARC event. If you plan to attend and have not notified Bonnie, KD6OFQ, please do so as soon as possible.

Love Ride 21 was a complete success. I must thank Bill, KE6UUD, our event coordinator for all his efforts to insure that all stayed on schedule and that everything went off without a hitch. The dispatch of our MARC riders by time schedule made it easy for all to know when they had to get ready and leave Glendale for the ride to Castaic Lake and the Love Ride Gala. It was a long and cool day for all. I did not hear of any motorcycle involved accidents so once again MARC performed excellently. Thanks to all who helped Bill and I on this event, and to all our motorcycle mobile riders, net control operators, and our traffic controllers at the freeway entrance. We couldn't have done it without your help. Now, while on the subject of the Love Ride, please check out the Love Ride web site at <http://WWW.LOVERIDE.ORG>. There you will find a link to photographs taken by

Simon Cherpitel. If your modem is fast enough, you will be able to browse through photographs from this year's Love Ride and also those from past years. There are photographs of the Celeb's and many of the attendees to include a MARC member or two hidden here and there. There is also a link to an E-bay site where Love Ride premiums from previous rides are being sold to benefit the Love Ride Foundation. You might be able to snap up a souvenir from a Love Ride that you worked in the past.

Now let's talk APRS. This system combines GPS and amateur radio with satellite technology, allowing a person to be tracked via a computer. It will show not only the location of the individual being tracked but the direction, speed, and altitude. Bill, KE6UUD, had his portable laptop computer at the Love Ride and was able to show the location of several MARC motorcycles that were APRS enabled. This was a real time view of each of the tracked MARC participants who were APRS active. Quite impressive, to say the least! This technology could be of great use by our net controllers during charity events in the future. I know that many of our members in the Bay Area have APRS active on motorcycles and it now looks like more in the Southern California area may install the necessary radio equipment to activate the APRS location system. Hopefully with the help of those who have active systems, more of us will be able to equip our motors with the necessary GPS and radio transmitters to activate a tracking signal.

With the 2005 holiday season fast upon us, I would like to wish all who are part of our MARC family health and happiness for this 2004 Christmas season, and also a prosperous 2005.



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May all your highways in life be clear and the skies ahead be filled with sunshine.

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"MARC" CALENDAR 2004

Dec. 3,4,5-Motorcycle show

Dec. 11- Annual Christmas Party

Jan. 2005

Jan. 8- Breakfast Meeting

Feb. 12- Breakfast Meeting

Mar. 12- Breakfast Meeting

April 9- Breakfast Meeting

April ? - Abused Kids Ride

May 14- 13th Anniversary

June 11-Breakfast Meeting

June 12- Bad Ride

MARC" NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:::

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December 28th	FOR	January '05
February 2nd	FOR	February
March 2nd	FOR	March
March 30th	FOR	April
April 29th	FOR	May
June 1st	FOR	June/July
Aug 3rd	FOR	Aug
Aug 29th	FOR	Sept
Sept 21st	FOR	Oct
Nov 2nd	FOR	Nov
Nov 30th	FOR	Dec

COLORS OF CHRISTMAS

RED is for love burning bright with the warmth of the season' light.

GREEN is for the Christmas tree trimmed with happy memories.

BLUE is for the winter sky where dreams take wing and freely fly.

GOLD is for friendship, faithful and true, found in friends both old and new.

SILVER is for shining stars, promising fond wishes will soon be ours.

THIS AND THAT

As we reach the end of another year, I look back on all the FUN we have had. We have ragged on each other, published a ton of information, and participated in a number of events that have helped garner several MILLIONS of dollars for the charities we support. The really good part is that all those miles that were ridden in events, were done safely. This speaks volumes for the skill of our event riders. We ride in some really tight places without touching anything. Well done gang.

Actually though, none of the MARC activities could take place without the Board of Directors, and all the wonderful Staff that makes everything work. It starts right at the top with our Board Chairman, Ray Davis, KD6FHN, and with our President, John Reynolds, W5JFR, who runs a rigid ship and always starts the meeting right on the 8:00 hour..

Next the REAL Mrs. MARC, Bonnie Davis, KD6OFQ. Bonnie does everything related to office, and maintains the MARC store, puts out the best newsletter I have ever read, AND, in her spare time helps coordinate an event. Bonnie is first to greet us, and the last we see as she stands behind her van hawking her wares. Love you lady.

And of course the most popular, Mijo, KF6BE(D)B, when she hands out those great prizes, and of course those 25/25/50 dollars. There is always a lot of confusion around her table, and she maintains a lovely cool, and even has time to give hugs. That is a LOT of work keeping track of the money and tearing off the proper number of tickets.

I can't mention everyone, I would surely forget someone. The coordinators who spend countless hours making sure that the chosen charity understands what we do, and can do for them. Be sure to shake their hand, and give them a hug. They all do GREAT work. Thanks for being there, and for all you do.

The most important part of MARC though is, YOU, the MARC member, who gets up at 0dark thirty to donate several thousands of dollars worth of equipment, and a ton or expertise. It's funny, it seems that at every event where something does go a little wrong, YOU, the MARC member are right there to help them get up, fix flats, and to dial 9-1-1, and help soothe until medical help arrives. YOU are the one who makes MARC go. Without YOU, I would be a Member of the Board of.....?? Thank you so very much for being a part of MARC.

My special thanks to a couple of fellows, J.P., Tim, Paul, and Jerry. Without you guys ragging on me, cheering me up, and contributing a TON of fun and information to the group, the MARC list would be a dry rag about APRS. :> :>) Nothing wrong with APRS except it would tell Anita where I am hanging out..... LOL. Thanks guys, and remember, the operative word is YELLOW.

I hope your year has been good, Anita and I have enjoyed a GREAT year. Even though Mr. Murphy tagged along, we had a great trip into the wilds of the upper northwest. Beautiful scenery, and wonderful, friendly folks. We would both like to take this opportunity to say THANKS, for being our friends, and for all the fun, and support directed our way. Now if I could only get her up, to come to the MARC meetings. :>)

Remember our great Christmas Party that is coming up shortly. I wish we could have all our MARC family there. Wherever you are on Saturday, December 11, 2004, about 7:30 P.M., feel the love from the MARC party.

Gosh, I've run out of room, and time, Bonnie is waiting on this.

LOVE YA, MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!!!! HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!!!

De Witt Morgan KM6UK <trk29@cox.net>

Merry Christmas!

Another year has passed. Can't stop this time machine so hold unto your hats as shopping and music and the season is upon us!

Motorcycling for most up here is done. Today I had coffee with my friend Duane. We were looking out on Lyndale Avenue sitting in Bob's Java Hut and reflecting on the year and what will be happening for next year.

"Suppose this is it til March?" Duane brooded over his mocha
"Nope." I motioned with my hands. "You can try to get the bike out maybe 2 times a month."

"Oh, is that to keep the motor lubricated?" Duane asks while sipping on his cup.

"No that's for your spirit, keep that excitement of riding!" I kind of knew by the many years of listening to him that his bikes would be sitting till March at least.

"Are you still riding, Tim?" Duane was smiling.

"Yep, plan to ride to work tomorrow afternoon." I said.

"How many miles did you go this year, 14000?"

"Closing in on 18." I said

"Tim, how many miles are you going to put on that beemer?" Duane shakes his head.

Its the same subject each year only another year has gone. Motorcycle World is just like the rest of these Worlds we live in. Pressing in on us what the normal rider should do.

Cars and trucks and homes and where to live and what retirement is needed... Pressing in on us and trying to help us by instructions. I had the same reaction from a fellow at church this morning. Course he doesn't know me that much and I don't know him either I guess. "Tim did you put your bike away yet?" Same question as years gone by. In fact this article is probably the same one since '97! Hey Bonnie am I right?

We are pressed in but there are some of us that POP out of this box and then people look at me...

"Your Weird Tim!" That came from a 6 year old whom I was teasing this morning.

Or I get some little kids to laugh by squeezing their hands, taking their hats or just wrinkling up my face at them.

"Your Silly, Mr. Tim!"

Then I will ask them where did you hear that. Seems the children aren't getting enough attention as they are always coming over to me for more teasing.

So yes the season is over and I admit looking at sidecars for my beemer or just buying rig.. Knowing that its lots cheaper to drive the truck than to buy a sidecar, knowing that its the season of waiting for March. While I am just waiting for that sun to get above the tree tops to burn off that frost so I can get out and do the Out Of The Cage Riding!

Why be normal! Why not impact the people around you with your passions for life!

I have seen some writings about wearing out this body before the grave. Which should be true... However on those tombstones there is a saying of "Rest In Peace".

Its just another Box that the World is pressing us into. Death on this planet was taken care of by the birth of Jesus. There is 2 more visits by this Son of Man. The next one will be with the shout of an angel and those bodies which are Resting will be caught up to the skies to be reunited with the souls which have been in Heaven! That is the people who accepted Jesus as their Savior before they died. Then we who are still here will be caught up too! Our bodies transformed into a Godly body! No more boxes to be fitted into! No more "Resting in Peace" either all because of the Son of Man, Jesus Christ!

So Merry Christmas!

73 Tim Lindstrom AB0TS <ab0tstim@juno.com>

2004 Reviewed & More



In every aspect MARC has had a very successful year. I keep a folder with all the amounts of money raised for each charity event we work. As of now we have HELPED to raise over 25 million dollars in the 12 years 7months that we have been in existence. The MS-150 and the Love Ride both raised nearly 1.5 million dollars this year. Every single MARC Member who participates in our many charity events can take great pride in that statement. The amount is actually probably much higher then that since I don't have any way of knowing what the other MARC Chapters have helped raise. Membership has remained about the same over the past 3 or 4 years. Every year we lose a few members and every year we pick up about that same amount of new MARC members. MARC retains it's family type atmosphere at meetings and charity events and for those who have been members for at least a couple of years, know that we are in support of one another, and as everyone who comes to our HQ-MARC meetings can attest to, no one has more fun in the meetings then we do. That's our family way of doing things, having fun. **HERE'S THANKING ALL OUR MEMBERS FOR HELPING MARC TO CONTINUE BEING SO SUCCESSFUL.**

Don't forget to get signed up for this years MARC Annual Christmas Party at the Lakeview Cafe, being held on Saturday night Dec 11th, 6:30pm. There is still time to sign up and we can take late sign ups right up to the last day in case some of your plans have changed unexpectedly. Don't forget that we have a Kenwood TM-D700A ham radio worth over \$500, a SET of motorcycle tires-balanced & installed, worth over \$400, a Honey Smoked Ham worth about \$60 and much more to draw for at this years Christmas Party. As usual there will also be the table decorations to be given away at the end of the evening. When you come to one of our meetings or Christmas Parties you are assured to go home a winner.

It was brought to my attention that maybe we were not putting out the date for our MARC Christmas Party far enough in advance because of the shorter list of sign ups that we have had for this years Christmas Party. So just in case that is true, next years MARC Christmas Party will be held on Saturday Dec. 10th 2005, same place, same time of day. **MARC YOUR CALENDARS NOW.** I'll try to remember to put this out in the MARC Newsletter & on the MARC List at least once a month.

MARC DUES become due on January 1st of each year. They are \$12 a year, that is only \$1 a month folks, and yes, you can pay for multiple years in advanced. Some of our members don't want to be bothered with writing a \$12 check each year and pay 5 years at a time. Sure makes Bonnie's bookkeeping chores easier.

The Southern CA Motorcycle Assoc. (SCMA) 30th Annual 3 Flags Classic Drawing will be held at 12 noon on January 29th, 2005 at Denny's on Irwindale Blvd, in the city of Irwindale CA. Make checks out for \$275 payable to "2005 Three Flags Classic". Send entries to 2005 Three Flags Classic, P.O. Box 401173, Hesperia, CA., 92340-1173. All entries must be received by January 27th to be included in the drawing. No payments will be accepted at the drawing. In other words, no walk-in entries. The 2005 3 Flags Classic goes from Tijuana, BC, Mexico to Calgary, AB, Canada. Dates are September 2nd start to the finish Sept. 6th. That's about 2500 miles over all back roads with at least 4 check points along the way. Since this is the 30th anniversary 3 Flags Classic there will be a big demand for tickets. It has been the same problem getting tickets as it was for the 10, 15, 20 & 25th anniversary 3 Flags Classics. I know my son Rod KE6WOD is planning on sending in his

check/application and John KC6ZQZ and I will also certainly be doing the 3 Flags Classic again, one way or the other. If you are not drawn, your name is put on a waiting list, but your money is returned back to you within a week after the drawing.

APRS (Automatic Positioning Radio System) has recently become the big subject of discussions anywhere MARC members gather. We here in Southern CA will have a ways to go to catch up with the BA-MARC Chapter & Norm N6ZKS who have been using APRS for years for their area charity events. In the HQ-MARC (LA, Orange, Riverside & San Bernardino Counties) area we have some very capable MARC Members to rely on to help us beginners buy what we need, get it installed and get it up and running. For me personally, I haven't got the slightest idea what they are talking about when they talk about, NMEA DATA signals in & out of a GPS for APRS. We are looking at all the different configurations for using APRS. Some in the \$100 range and some in the \$600 or \$700 range. For me personally, I am looking at the system that can best cover all the areas that I will travel during my trips next summer, that is absolutely reliable and one that I can understand and work on myself if anything goes wrong. So I have a lot to work on before our next MARC Charity event and the start of the summer riding season the first weekend of May. Bonnie keeps asking if there is going to be any other expensive items that I will think necessary for Casper. Well yeh, we just ain't got to them yet. :-) Smiling. Actually we (Bill KE6UUD & Ted KB6CUS) already used their APRS units for the 25,000 Harley Davidson's on the Love Ride on Nov 14th this year. It worked so well that the MARC Chairman Of The Board (& nobody can have something better then me, guy) was reluctantly forced to admit that APRS is a good tool for us to use on our future charity events. (Bonnie, it's not my fault, blame Ted, Phil & Bill) The APRS units will certainly be an important tool for the BAD (Bikers Against Diabetes) Ride and the MS-150, where we are spread out all over Southern CA.

Finally got around to doing the ham radio/Kennedy Technology Unit installation on Dave's N6ICB blue 2002 trike. Dave arrived here at the house on time at 9am and we got right to it. I already had the garage set up, Bonnie's car outside, Casper in the street, tables set up and tools laid out. Working on a trike is a whole different ball game then working on stock Gold Wing. You have to contend with the running boards all the time. Everything went very well, no big surprises, but it still took us 10 hours and we had Dave on the way home at 7pm. That night I was particularly tired because we had to be bending over the running boards all day. It took me a couple of days to get over the stiffness again. Still haven't heard Dave motorcycle mobile yet. We ran out of time and didn't get to program his Kenwood TM-D700A so we couldn't test it before he left for home. It would have taken us lot longer had it not been for all of Dave's help reading all the directions and telling me where all the different wiring had to go.

Believe it or not, I finally got my California ham radio license plates (KD6FHN) for Casper after 10 1/2 months. Oh we got ham radio license plates ok, but they were not the smaller motorcycle sized plates, but the car size on 3 different occasions. Finally Bonnie went to a CA DMV supervisor and that lady finally told the maker of the plates to ship them directly to her. Even then they shipped the wrong plates one more time. Finally this month (Nov) the lady called and asked us to guess what she had in her hands, it was finally the right plates. Now when I go into a motel, I don't have to go out to look at Casper to see what the license plate number is. That other plate number was impossible for me to remember.

American Motorcycle Assoc. (AMA) 1,000,000 Mile award. When you take a calculator and divide one million miles ridden by the number of years you have been riding, it will surprise a lot of people. I have continued to own a motorcycle for 57 years 7 months and that is not even including the years that I owned a Doodle Bug, Cushman Eagle and a Whizzer motor powered bicycle. At age 15 in 1947 my father brought home a US Army 45 inch flat head Harley Davidson from the air base they were closing, after WW II, just North my hometown of Mitchell, S.D. It was still in the wood crate it was shipped in. That was the proudest day and just about the beginning of my love of motorcycles. I was raised just a block from the Harley Davidson motorcycle shop that a guy ran out of his garage. Anyway, for me to ride 1,000,000 miles in 55 years, (I was in Korea for 21 months) I had to average about 18,000 miles a year. During the 31 years that I was on the fire department I would average at least that and during the 14 years that I have been retired, I have averaged about 40,000 to 50,000 miles a year. No easy task I assure you, so when I hear someone say that they have ridden a million miles, I get out my calculator and ask them how many years they have been riding. They are always shocked at what the average yearly miles ridden has to be to make a million miles. During the 30 years that I rode Harleys (1947 to 1975/78, had a GW & a Harley both for 3 years), I owned some Harleys that had 165,000 miles on them, and I bought them new. I think I can honestly say, I have ridden one million miles, but I wish I had kept better track of the miles on those Harleys and old Gold Wings.

Speaking of miles ridden; Casper only has 42,500 miles on it. About the shortest miles I have put on a bike in the time I have owned one during the same time period since I retired nearly 14 years ago. I hope to do better next year. Want to hit 100,000 by the time Casper is 2 years old, would be a nice goal.

Please support our MARC Newsletter advertisers and those companies that go out of their way to support our MARC Members and our Charity events. Certainly Huntington Honda, NCG/Comet come to mind first, then there is the Gold Wing Superstore, CopyMax, The Lariat, Callier Enterprises, R.M. Enterprises and Prairie Wings Cycle Inc. When you use our MARC support companies, please mention that you are a MARC Member and that you appreciate their support, it's important that they hear that from our members.

Yes we definitely do not want to forget the repeater owners of the Alert & Barn systems for allowing us to use their repeaters for our nets and charity events. We thank you all so very much..

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

May the skies be clear, warm & sunny and the wind be forever at your back. Safe rides one & all.

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AMA INFORMATION

The final government figures are in on motorcyclist fatalities for 2003, and the numbers aren't good.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports that 3,661 motorcyclists were killed in 2003, compared to 3,270 in 2002, for a 12 percent increase.

Sales of new motorcycles were also up sharply in that time period, but the underlying causes for the increase remain unclear.

These figures underscore the need for a comprehensive study into the causes of motorcycle crashes so that effective countermeasures can be developed to improve motorcycle safety. The AMA is pushing for such a study in Congress. To see how you can help, go to the AMA website at

<http://www.AMADirectlink.com> and click on the
<http://www.ama-cycle.org/legisltn/index.asp> link on the left.

OK....

Here is my 10 cents !! Diana (my wife) and I took an SWR meter, a couple wrenches and some deep thought and walked out to my "Purple Wing". I wanted to check the SWR (DUH !!) with the meter and see what the heck was going on with that !! I have had a problem with getting my APRS transmissions "digi-peated". I had a thought or two about why it was happening, but couldn't figure it out till we went digging into the trunk of the Wing and hooked up the SWR. It seems as though (for the past year or so) my HP-32 antenna has been put on the antenna mount "incorrectly" !! UGH !! It was NOT getting a good enough "bite" on the threads and my radio transmissions were creating feedback or NOISE on every transmission on 144.30 Mhz !! So, I took the BIG nut (no NOT me !!), the one on the NCG/COMET mount OFF the mount and put it in the trunk in my "accessory bag". I had THAT one on the top side of the "MARC" trunk mount. The mount that is the one the round tubular trunk rack. I have the little nut on the bottom side of the mount. I NOW have the little one on the bottom turned up 2 few turns and a very thin spacer on the topside between the antenna and the mount. NOW the antenna sits VERY snug on the topside of the antenna mount and the SWR couldn't be any better !! 1.1 to 1 !!!!!!! YIPPEEE !!

Moral of the story is....

Don't let your antenna be "caught short" of threads !!!!!!!

P.S. - Additional yippee is because it makes my APRS happy !!

P.S.S. - Thank you goes to Diana for holding the PTT button while I calibrated and checked the SWR...AND for all the listening she did while I was so overjoyed that I did NOT have to rip the coax out again because I "THOUGHT" that was the problem....but it wasn't !! OH JOY, OH JOY !!

Ted Moody KB6CUS <kb6cus@earthlink.net>

Subject: Has it gotten this bad???????????



LOVERIDE 21 NOVEMBER 14 2004

Another LoveRide has come and gone and what a fantastic day it was. The temps were in the mid 70s and hardly a cloud in the sky. The music by Lynyrd Skynard and the food provided by Rattler's BBQ of Santa Clarita was great. I don't have the attendance numbers but there was a very large crowd at Castaic Lake and \$1.275 million was raised on that one day event. I did not hear of any major (or minor) incidents other than a fender bender between a couple of cars, (no bikes involved) on the freeway but that was moved to the shoulder quickly and did not cause any delays of the ride. Also this year with the help of Ted Moody, I got involved with APRS tracking. I brought my laptop computer, set it up on the trunk rack of my bike, hooked it up to my aprs radio and watched the progression of the ride by tracking Ted Moody, KB6CUS at the front and Peter Fleming, N6LMO placed in the middle of the ride. I have been playing with aprs since winning a Kenwood TH-D7A at the April MARC meeting but I didn't put it to use until the Loveride. I was impressed with what aprs could do and I will be learning more about it as time goes on. Also Phil Pacier, AD6NH put up a link on his site so that anyone with a computer could track the ride. Check out his web page at "<http://www.aprsca.net>", a lot of good info on aprs. Thanks Phil. Using aprs on some of the events that MARC does could have some great benefits but more on that later.

A GREAT BIG THANKS to all these people for helping with this event: BUTCH MACY KD6VBO, VINCE SANTIONE, CAREY MACY KE6JWE, CHRIS MACY KD6VBP, HARRY GERST KF6ZQM, CHUCK WELMAN KG6NJP, TED MOODY KB6CUS, DIANA MOODY KB6CUR, JIM EVANS KC6RCR, PETER FLEMING N6LMO, JOHN REYNOLDS W5JFR, MIJO REYNOLDS KF6BEB, JOHN EDWARDS KC6ZOZ, TERI EDWARDS KF6HJT, RAY DAVIS KD6FHN, ANDY BOCKERW6AJB, HUGH CASH KB6IEM, BURTON BRINK N6USO, GERIE BRINK KE6SUW, RICH MARTIN N6MHN, MIKE NARON N6QZT STEPHANIE DAVIDSON, MIKE ZIMBALIST KE6KWQ, JEFF GALLAGHER KB6SUP, WAYNE BARRINGER KB6UJW, HIROKO BARRINGER KG6LFZ, FARA BEIZAI KF6ZQO, ROD DAVIS KE6WOD, DAVE ETTER KG6VNR, SHARON DAVIS, ROGER WHEELOCK KG6OND, RON AMES WB6RSD, SHERON AMES KC6ZSH, PAUL POWELL KD6VKJ, ALVIN BROWN KD6UZM, MEL JOHNSON KD6MPB, KAY JOHNSON and of course the lady behind the scenes BONNIE DAVIS KD6OFQ.

Remember: These rides do not happen without YOU, the volunteers!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

73 Bill Douglas KE6UUD <wbdoug@mailaka.net>

Hello Bonnie from IL/W

Well in this part of the world, the younger set is still riding, Like Tim for instance! I used to ride year round too, but can't seem to talk myself into it anymore. Just getting fat and lazy I reckon! How ever us older F***ts are starting to store the bikes in front of the car, so we don't have to move the bike, every time we want to run to the store. It is snowing out right now, and I already have the heater running in the garage.

I have high hopes of doing a lot of needed maintenance on the Harley, as it has been 2 years since I really went through it. It will also get new tires during the cold months. I used to go through 2 or 3 sets of tires each year, now I must have slowed down a lot, as a set lasts all summer!

Actually I did put around 40,000 miles on the bike each year when I was working, but when I thought I was retiring, I found all I have is a different boss, and she is a real slave driver! HA! She had things she wanted done 10 years ago, and I always had an excuse (had to go to work!). Now there is no excuse, so lots of things around our house have improved. I still would like to ride long trips like we used to do, (yes she always rode with me) but it

seems as I got older, I became easier to talk into not going on rides of more than 500 miles. And then not every day either!

We added 650 sq feet to our house in the last year and a half, not all finished yet, I still have to install the bathroom stuff. Oh and now she wants the older bath remodeled! So it looks to be a full winter for me.

Along with that, we are preparing to go back to Honduras with the missionary team again in February. Marsha will be going back to the orphanage and I have been asked to once again run the radio network for them. Another MARC member is going with us this coming February. I will let him reveal it when he is ready, maybe he is planning a letter around it. Maybe next year we can get a few more to come along? It is possible to ride there, from the US, but I do not know what kind of hassles you would have at the borders etc. Some day I would like to do it though, just for the fun of it. If anyone wants to arrange a radio schedule, let me know at k9pep@qso.com, or (815) 399-9233

Needless to say, if anyone wants to stop by and help me put in the bathroom, or fix the many little things on the Harley, I live at 3408 Ed-Vera DR., Rockford, IL. Marsha feeds good, when her work is getting done! We live just off the express route around Rockford. (US29 Bypass & 251)

Not a lot of motorcycle content, and not much radio content either, but that is the way it is going in my life right now!

73 Paul K9PEP <wa9fff@yahoo.com>

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The Will of God will never take you to where the Grace of God will not protect you.

Jesucristo es el mismo ayer, hoy, por los siglos

EASTCOAST MARC

It looks like this coming Sunday will be one of the last days to get a ride in for the season.

I am proposing a ride though the back roads on Eastern CT to the Mohegan Sun for a nice brunch and return via a different route. Please let me know if you plan to come along. For those who live in and around Waterbury and plan to ride from there we will meet outside McDonald's at the Brass City Commons (next to the Mall) at 8:30 AM. We will meet up with others that are coming from the shore area at the Gildas Roadhouse (In Middletown) on Route 66 at 9:00 AM. We will travel through Middletown to Route 9 and then via the bridge over the Connecticut river at the Godspeed opera house in Haddam and on to Mohegan's. I look forward to seeing you all then.

The tentative schedule for the major proposed rides for next year is as follows and subject to change based upon final decisions to be taken at our next annual General meeting.

Annual General Meeting January 30, 2005 - Athenian Dinner, Wolcott Road, Waterbury.

Americade June 8 through 11, 2005. ECMARC Dinner - June 10, 2005. Lake George (Place TBA)

NE 7 State Ride July 23, 2005. - Start point and route TBA
Mid Atlantic 7 State Ride. September 16 though 18. - Start in Gettysburg PA, end in Atlantic City NJ.

Cape Cod week end. September 30 through Oct 2. - Accommodations and details to follow.

All additional rides and planning as well as election of a new executive will be handled at the AGM. Please feel free to bring with you or email me any suggestions for rides and your preferences. We hope to do a ride to the Edison museum if it is open to the public again this year. It is due to open in 2005????? Details will follow. I also hope to pose a ride to Mount Washington which we did not do last year. Possibly Oct 28 through 30.

Paul B Iltchenko WF1G <paul.iltchenko@yale.edu>
(They do charity events but also do a lot of group riding)

DO YOU KNOW WHAT "BPL" MEANS ?

The topic of discussion at the last meeting of the Orange County Amateur Radio Club was the subject of BPL. Like it or not, BPL is on its way to your house.

So, what is it? BPL stands for Broadband over Power Lines — And it's the latest entry in the technology race to provide computer users with the ability to connect to the internet.

O K. so why should we as "Hams" be concerned? Because this technology — which will allow both commercial and residential users a "fast internet access" — will be achieved using unshielded electrical power lines

The BPL services will partner with local electrical power companies, such as Southern California Edison, to provide BPL service to you and your neighbors house — over the local power lines. The BPL operators install RF amplifiers and "power line bridges" along the power lines infrastructure to carry the internet signals right along with the 60 Hz current on the UNSHIELDED power wires. The internet information will be using the RF frequencies between 2 MHZ to 80 MHZ in a seemingly "continuous buzz" known as "spread spectrum modulation.

The ARRL has monitored and tested the outputs of the initial tests of the BPL program, and fears that the RF power levels allowed by the FCC to the BPL operators will result in a S9+16 dB signal that is clearly harmful interference to typical amateur communications.

The FCC has apparently turned a deaf ear to the concerns of the ARRL. The CEO of the ARRL said: "The FCC R&O has shifted the burden to the licensed operators to REACT TO interference, rather than adopting rules to PREVENT interference from occurring". The FCC's solution was to locate "sensitive receiver antennas" as far as practically possible from power lines. He also stated: "Why the FCC has persisted in denying plain facts — and why they think they can get away with it — is one of the mysteries of the whole BPL scenario"

The ARRL advises that beyond Ham radio HF and VHF bands, there are many other short-wave services and users that will be affected, such as military, law enforcement, fire departments, or any service utilizing radio communications.

I have included the bulletin from the ARRL announcing the FCC ruling at the end of this article for your information.

THIS IS A MATTER IN WHICH YOU NEED TO STUDY — AND BECOME CONCERNED.

Billy Hall N6EDY
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FCC Adopts New BPL Rules

Meeting October 14 in open session, the FCC adopted revised Part 15 (unlicensed services) rules to specifically regulate broadband over power line (BPL) systems. Specifics of the new rules in a Report and Order in ET Docket 04-37 won't be known for a few weeks. In comments before voting, three members of the Commission, including Chairman Michael K. Powell, specifically mentioned the concerns of Amateur Radio operators and expressed either assurances or hope that the new BPL rules will adequately address interference to licensed services. Republican FCC Commissioner Kevin Martin addressed Amateur Radio's and broadcasters' interference concerns in his written statement. ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, said he was encouraged to see the Commission acknowledge interference to Amateur Radio as a genuine issue in the BPL proceeding.

"What the League has done in the last year and a half on this issue showed in the Commission's public meeting today," Haynie said. He cited the FCC's approval of three major points that the League had been pushing for: Certification of BPL equipment instead of verification, a requirement for a public BPL database—something the BPL industry did not want—and mechanisms to deal swiftly with interference complaints.

Anh Wride of the FCC Office of Engineering and Technology (OET), outlined the draft R&O and acknowledged that Access BPL devices "pose a somewhat higher potential for interference to licensed radio services than typical Part 15 devices." But, Wride went on to say, "we believe the specific benefits of BPL warrant acceptance of a small degree of additional risk, and that this interference potential can be satisfactorily managed."

Commissioner Michael Copps, a Democrat, said he remains concerned about interference to Amateur Radio users. "I take the concerns of this community very seriously and believe that the FCC has an obligation to work hard to monitor, investigate and take quick action, where appropriate, to resolve harmful interference."

Copps said if interference occurs, "we must have a system in place to resolve it immediately," and he expressed the hope that the new rules would include such "rapid turnaround" provisions. Copps, who dissented in part with the R&O, raised the question of whether utility ratepayers should have to "subsidize an electric power company's foray into broadband."

The Commission's other Democrat, Jonathan S. Adelstein, said the interference question made the proceeding a challenging one because it had to accommodate concerns raised by Public Safety licensees, federal government users and Amateur Radio operators. "These are important services that we need to protect from harmful interference," Adelstein said.

Adelstein also said that while it's clear that some BPL systems can co-exist with existing licensees, others "haven't fared so well." He said those systems shouldn't be deployed commercially until it's assured that they won't cause harmful interference. Commissioner Kathleen Abernathy, a Republican, said the FCC had to "make some hard compromises" to deal with questions about interference. But she expressed confidence in "technical solutions."

Chairman Powell called it "a banner day" for communications in the US because, he said, BPL promises "ubiquitous service to all Americans at affordable rates." The chairman, a Republican, conceded that BPL will affect some spectrum users—including "all those wonderful Amateur Radio operators out there." Powell said the FCC has taken Amateur Radio interference concerns seriously from the start and has taken care to ensure that protections are in place "to allow that service to continue." At the same time, Powell implied that the FCC must balance the benefits of BPL against the relative value of other licensed services.

"But let me underscore the potential for the American economy is too great, too enormous, too potentially groundbreaking to sit idly by and allow any claim or any possible speculative fear keep us from driving this technology and drive America into the broadband future."

ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, suggested that Powell was overstating the necessity of yet another broadband pipeline. "It's astonishing to me that the chairman of the FCC can talk about needing a 'third way' to provide broadband to consumers when multiple technologies already are available, including wireless broadband," he said.

For more information on BPL, visit the "Broadband Over Power Line (BPL) and Amateur Radio" page on the ARRL Web site, www.arrl.org/bpl.NNNN

What do you get if you cross a fish and an elephant??
(Swimming trunks!)

"Listen for the things that make your heart sing... then follow joy's whisper every day." (Elina Rae — Women's World 11/30/04)

"For a quick wake-up call... gargle with a glass of ice-cold water. The nerves in your throat are so sensitive to temperature, the shock will stimulate a rush of blood and oxygen to your head, making you instantly more alert! (Woman's World 11/30/04)

ASSISTANCE NEEDED FOR ARRL OPERATING BOOK

I have been invited by the author of the upcoming "ARRL Mobile Operating Book" to supply photographs and comments on a variety of motorcycle ham radio installations, and the details that are needed to make an installation work. In addition, I have been asked to comment on how the various aspects of the installation work and perform and the consideration that were used to make them work. This invitation was sent last Spring, but only this morning did I get the details of what was really needed and the book is planned to be released in the Spring of 2005 so time is compressed.

From how I see it, this is a wonderful opportunity for MARC and I'm going to do whatever I can to help this section of the book become a success, but I could use some help, and if you are reading this, then you probably have something that can be helpful. I can also use some help from anyone who is willing to work as part of our local editorial team where we select images consideration.

Help from Whom?

Help from any other MARC member, or even anyone who has something to offer on motorcycle mobile that the greater MARC/ARRL/Ham/Motorcycle community can benefit from. If you are in any of those group, you are being asked to participate.

What kind of help is needed?

Pictures of installation are needed, but the quality of the picture taking is important. For certain I know we have a professional photographer in KA7QQV and I know that KD6FHN once worked as Photographer, so their input as to what is important when taking an image can be helpful in taking or guiding the photography, and in hopefully in selecting the images we decide to submit.

All images submitted must be High-Resolution so they can survive the printing processes which will probably use color separation. However, if you have an interesting shot that isn't up to publication quality, submit it with the idea it might need to be retaken by someone with better equipment and experience. We can also improve a lot of images in PhotoShop/Paint Shop Pro as well, so send the ideas and we try to pick up the difference.

I also need some organizational help to keep this organized and to help us sort things out. This is an important aspect that can make a real difference.

What about Comments and Stories?

I don't know how much they will let us influence the writing, but my experience has been most of what I write gets published so I'm asking for Tales about installations and experiences with using Ham Radio on a Motorcycle. Don't worry about the prose you send, just send what you have with the hope I'll be able to get the book's author to consider the lesson in their writing.

Pictures of What?

We need a list of what is important to a radio installation. To get the list started, consider the following when you consider ideas:

Radios:

Head Location & Mounting

Main Body Location & Mounting Hand-Held Installations & Locations (On Bike or On Body)

PTT:

Switch Location
Switch Types
Switch Brackets

Antennas:

Antenna Locations (Need a wide range of bikes)
VHF/UHF Types of Antennas (Maybe we can Plug Comet here)
Low Band Antennas
Antenna Mounts (Need a wide range to cover the various bikes)

Wiring:

Power Connections
Power Distribution Panels
Remote Routing
Power Control

Audio:

Helmet Installation
Speaker Installations
Microphone Installation (Headset & Hand-Held)
Intercom Integration (Commercial & Ham-Made)
VOX (Does it work? If not, why Not?)

Environment Issues:

Exposed Head Protection
Main Body (Heat?? - Vibration)
Noise Control (Spark & Electrical)

Miscellaneous:

Anything that doesn't fall in one of the categories above.

Who get the credit?

Each picture will get identified with the owner of motorcycle represented in the image. Be sure to send your Callsign, Name and Phone number if possible. In addition, the author has said they will give our group credit.

My hope is we find a way for MARC to become part of the theme in this section, but that will take some skill on my part.

What about cost?

A few dollars were offered to cover the cost of what a professional photographer might set us back, but the amount is in the dandruff range and unlikely to interest any professional, or even cover their expense.

Instead, we might just use the few dollars to cover any expenses that are unavoidable, or if we have to produce prints. If we are lucky, we won't have any expense and can let the money slide. Either way I wanted this aspect of their request to be visible.

What else?

I don't know, but some of you do, and I hope you respond with ideas and comments. In addition, if you see anything missing from this quick list/outline, please let me know so we can include it in the process.

We have also been asked to poll other motorcycle hams about various things. I'll post the questions later, but responding is important so look for those questions.

Before you start sending stuff, let me setup something here to handle what I hope is an avalanche of photos and comments. I'll publish something in a day or so after I've got something working.

HELP:

Who can help make this a great opportunity for MARC?

For those who can Help, please click on this link or copy & paste to send ideas, images and any comments you think we should present for the chapter on Motorcycle Mobile:

[mailto:w1rdr@arrl.net?Subject=\[MMM\]%20Motorcycle%20Mobile](mailto:w1rdr@arrl.net?Subject=[MMM]%20Motorcycle%20Mobile)

Thanks It is getting desperation time due this has to be ready by January 10th, 2005

Roger... W1RDR

FALL REPORT

It's been an interesting fall for me. I decided to take my Wing with me to the jobs I was scheduled to work in South Carolina and Pennsylvania.

My first outage was at Catawba Nuclear Station just south of Charlotte NC. I started training there on the 23rd. of August. The weather was great and I even got to ride up to the Blue Ridge Parkway over the Labor Day weekend and do the section from Blowing Rock to Ashville. Luckily, that was before hurricane Jeanne washed out the road.

From the beginning, I found the hams of the area very welcoming. I attended two meetings of the Rock Hill amateur radio club. They hold two meetings a month, the first a program meeting, the second, the business meeting. The program meeting I attended featured a very knowledgeable individual giving a presentation of antenna building with readily available material.

I also got to attend two hamfests. The first was the big Shelby NC hamfest. It is advertised as a two-day fest but I went over on Friday afternoon and looked around. I even ordered a "ham plate" for the back of my trailer. I went back Saturday and tried to buy another Kenwood D700 but everyone had them on back order. Since this hamfest is at a fairground, some of the tailgaters park their RVs the week before so as to have choice places. I got to meet the infamous Buzzard's Roost group from Mt. Mitchell NC. Their repeater is the most active, wide coverage repeater in the area. I could count on being entertained at any hour of the day or night if I just tuned in to the "Buzzard's Roost."

The day I left SC, I attended the hamfest sponsored by the Rock Hill radio club. It was a very nice hamfest. I did find a D700 there so I did my share in letting the vendors know the hams would buy if they would come.

I stayed at a campground in Ohio during my job in Pennsylvania. In fact, I got to drive through three states on my way to work, OH, WV, & PA.

I was raised near there in Valencia PA. We started working 12 hours a day, 6 days a week right away, so I didn't get much time to ride about. I rode the bike to work during training, but once we started to work in the plant, I drove the truck. Driving from the ridges to the Ohio River valley was way too much fun with the fog. In the evenings, when I drove to work the last few weeks, I watched the leaves turn their beautiful fall colors. After daylight savings time was over, I was reminded of the fantastic deer population of the region as I caught the eyes and ears of Bambi's in my headlights. The other evidence is of course the ones that lost their battles with vehicles and lay by the road.

One Monday, on my day off, I rode the bike over to my old home of the '50s. I didn't remember those roads as being so great for cycling. The only problem being the winter weathered rough

roads of Pennsylvania and the MANY driveways that spew gravel and water onto the roadway. This can provide much excitement as you come around a blind turn.

One thought provoking moment of the ride was when I recognized the gas station we had patronized in my youth. They still offer full service and I pulled in for a nostalgic fill up. I told the attendant the gas had been a bit cheaper the last time I filled up there. \$0.32 per gallon versus \$2.049.

After finishing at Beaver Valley I pulled the trailer over to the Washington D.C. area to visit my three oldest children and my grandkids. Then I pulled back to Illinois and hacked my way through the jungle to my house. Just kidding, the leaves had pushed down the grass pretty well.

I was talking to another former member of MARC on my way back on US 40. I didn't get the call or name written down though. I also stopped at Niehause Honda on the way in and got a price on the "Yellow Wing." I took a test ride, so it's all over, I'm hooked. All I need is that decal for the middle of the windshield, WATCH THE SPEED.

Here's hoping next year I'll be looking for sunny roads this time of the year.

Norm Huber N9ZKS <n9zks@earthlink.net>

THE MEANING OF THE CANDY CANE

Many years ago a candy maker wanted to make a candy that would symbolize the true meaning of Christmas - Jesus.

The hard candy was shaped like a "J" to represent that Jesus is our rock of all ages. The candy was made of white to stand for the pureness of Jesus.

The red represents the blood that Jesus shed to save us from our sins.

So the next time you see a candy cane take a minutes to remember the real meaning of Christmas...

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A heaping cup of happiness, 2 of love and caring,
1 of understanding, 1 of joyful sharing.
A level cup of wisdom, 1 of artful living,
1 of thoughtful insight, 1 of selfless giving.

Mix all ingredients together, toss in a little flair,
Serve to everyone you know topped with a tiny prayer.
May every measure of happiness be yours this Christmas time.

30-Second Mystery

The Case

Nina finishes getting dressed and enters a crowded room. Even though Nina is neither a government agent nor a criminal, her every move is monitored by the roomful of people. Some are taking notes, while others are actually photographing her. Nina doesn't talk to a single person. She is frightened, but knows she'll be in trouble if she doesn't leave the room within two minutes.

The Mystery: Where is Nina and what is she doing?

The Clues:

Nina is not the only person in the room being watched.

Nina is getting paid for her participation.

Nina will enter the room again in 15 minutes

It took Nina two hours to get dressed.

Answer in January issue.....(:-))ss Can you solve it?????

FROM YOUR '50/50' LADY
MIJO REYNOLDS KF6BEB
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NET DRAWING:

11/3- John KD6SAD \$5 + 10 tickets N/A, 11/10- Carolyn KE6JWD \$5 + 15 tickets N/A, 11/17- Mel K6GWC \$5 N/A , 11/24- \$5 + 5 tickets Bob KD6YBT Winner- Winners for the net in November & December will be paid at the January 2005 meeting if they attend.

50/50 winners:

Gobbling up the cash was George AC3X, Mike N6QZT & Kay Johnson each took home \$51.

Door Prize donators/winners:

\$40 Gift certificate from Huntington Honda- Bob WD6L
Maldol wide band scanner donated by NCG (COMET)-
Mel KD6MPB

MARC donations:

Maglite Flashlite kit won by Bill KE6UUD
Talking tire gauge won by Bill KE6UUD
Calendar/monthly planner won by Billy N6EDY
24 inch pick up tool won by Ray KD6FHN
Package opener won by Mel KD6MPB
5 pc Plier set won by Billy N6EDY
Sugar cookie & gingerbread cookie mix won by John KC6ZOZ

Many thanks to the members who donated door prizes for October- Mel KD6MPB & Kay, Ray & Bonnie, Wayne & Hiroko, Billy N6EDY, De Witt & Anita, Alvin & grandchildren, Mike KE6KWQ, thank you again it is greatly appreciated-

Gray ticket distributor -- JohnW5JFR
Gray ticker winner --Wayne KB6UJW
Four gray ticket winners this month.
Ticket drawer this month was George AC3X
Thank you to those helping me tear the tickets were
Kay, De Witt, John(ZOZ) Holly, Cody, Alvin, & Billy.

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NEW MEMBERS:

Let's all welcome Paul Powell KD6VKJ of Lucerne Valley, CA, he attended the November meeting with Ron WB6RSD & ShEron KC6ZSH. He also jumped right in and helped with the Love Ride on Sunday November 14th.

MEETING:

I feel the customers at Lake View Cafe for our November meeting thought we were having way too much fun. Good meeting, nice attendance. There is one thing if you can dish it out you better be ready to clean the plate(:-)ss

NEWSLETTERS:

This is the end of the year and I want to thank each member who has donated articles for our newsletter. You have made interesting reading for all of us. Oh yes sometimes you get double due to the e-mail. So you know I am expecting more, more AND MORE NEXT YEAR. Don't be shy - you all have some great experiences so please share them. THANK YOU ALL AGAIN

I owe you, Paul Ilitchenko, an apology due to the fact I never replaced Jim Savickas with your name for the East Coast MARC President. My apology - I am very sorry.....Bonnie

SUNSHINE CORNER:::

We need to keep Alan Gallagher WB6T in our prayers along with lots of love- he will be in the hospital for at least four weeks. He is stable but critical. That is the best I can tell you for now.

To the many members who have sickness, loss of a loved one, or family who are ill and need lots of love, we are here for you in prayer...WE DO CARE.....

Our love and prayers go out to the Military and their families especially during the holidays too...GOD BLESS AMERICA

REMEMBER THE CHRISTMAS PARTY ON DECEMBER 11, 2004 AND YES THE SPECIAL DOOR PRIZE DRAWING FOR SOME GREAT PRIZES::: Huntington Honda donated a set of tires along with mounting and balancing -- NCG Corporation donated a Honey-Baked Ham gift certificate -- Two dinner tickets at Johnny Rebs donated by Billy --2 One year subscriptions donated by Motorcycle Consumer News AND the Kenwood dual band TM-D700A mobile radio donated by "MARC" - also two bottles of champagne from the MS 150 Society. Yes we are still looking for more special prizes.

Many thanks to Ligia our waitress and the Lake View Cafe for all their patience and accommodations. We really appreciate all you do for us.

E-MAIL CHECK IN LADY::::
Happy Holidays to MARC land!

Now that the leftovers are gone from Thanksgiving dinner, it's time to buckle down and get into the holiday spirit! My son and his girlfriend visited Houston for the first time over Thanksgiving, along with my Mom from San Juan Capistrano (she HAS been here). We had a fabulous time. We hit a lot of places in a very short time. Galveston, Kemah, the Galleria, Downtown Houston, and the Richmond strip just to name a few. We found Maggiano's Little Italy. I think there are a few in the Southern California area as well as many other parts of the USA. What an experience! Not only was it beautiful, the food was excellent as well as the service. It was wonderful having my family here. It's usually me doing the traveling. We all have so much to be thankful for.

I'm equally thankful for both my families - personal AND MARC! I wish each and every one of you all my best wishes for the holidays.

Now...seriously, you WILL need to reply back to my email verification (and it will be out next week). I appreciate all y'all's notes when you reply. I miss being able to see you more often and it sure keeps me warm and fuzzy.

Hopefully, 2005 will be good to us all. Take care and enjoy the holidays! Ride safely and stay warm. I wish you ALL the best the new year can offer.

Sue KF6HZJ <counterqueenie@sbcglobal.net> Houston, TX
Your MARC quarterly e-mail check-in Lady

Love and Happiness are like sticky peanut butter. When you spread them around, you can't help but end up getting some on yourself." Marcia Jordan (Women's World 12/7/34)

Wishing all MARC members and their families & friends "A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR."

JOHN KC6ZOZ MS 150 COORDINATOR

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 Button, Waterproof

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 \$9.00

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 \$20.00

Antenna Bracket For Kuryakyn or American Flat Rackets 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 \$10.00

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

We have them for both the Left or Right side handlebars. 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

Stainless Steel Trunk Rack Plates

These 2 1/2" X 3 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.

Price \$10 for non polished, \$15 for the polished ones that are shipped with a plastic cover to protect the finish.

(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)

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MARC Equipment controller is Ray Davis KD6FHN
as we have most of the set-up equipment at
3 Lindberg, Irvine, CA for charity events.

"MARC" DUES:

Dues are due yearly from January to January \$12 (USA & Canada) & \$15 for all other countries per household. It is a \$1 per month after March for the balance of the year unless you want back copies then it is a full \$12. You may also pay for more than one year if you care...your choice..

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