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JANUARY 2010

## From the President's Desk

I hope you had a Very Merry Christmas and a Delightful New Year. Mijo and I enjoyed our holidays with family and friends. The Christmas dinner with our MARC family was one of the highlights of the season.

Now that the decorations have all been put away for the season, it is time to return to business. Harold, KI6TYH, Mijo, KF6BEB, and I have been busy getting ready for the Tour of Palm Springs 2010. Yes, it is time to ride again. The Palm Springs Tour committee was very impressed with MARC and the help we were able to provide for their event last year. We have been invited back for the 2010 Tour. Harold and I ask you to, please, make plans to help us with the Tour of Palm Springs on Saturday 13 February 2010. The first wave of 100 mile bicycle riders will start at 7:00 AM and Net Control will have to be set up and operational long before that. Many of us will be riding out to Palm Springs on Friday 12 February 2010 and overnighting. This also means that the February MARC meeting will be bumped up one week to the 6th of February. I will remind you of this change on the MARC List and also on the weekly MARC Net. Bruce Yeager, of the Palm Springs Tour committee, has already given me a copy of the 100, 55, and 25 mile routes. I have passed them on to Chuck, KG6NJP, so the GPS routes can be done before he has his shoulder surgery in January. We hope both Chuck and Ray, KD6FHN, will be mended and ready for the Tour in February. I already have a list of MARC members who have volunteered for this event, Harold and I will have more information and a sign-up sheet at the January and February MARC meetings.

Bearing failure in the steering head of my Goldwing or do you have pull backs (set backs) on your Goldwing? I have a 2001, 1800 Goldwing that has "pull backs" on the handlebars, they were installed by Ray and Chuck when Chuck owned the, "Yellow Monster". Last summer I had the front shocks serviced at a local repair shop. They changed the fluid in both front shock absorbers as part of the service. In the process, they inadvertently rerouted the clutch line. This is the high pressure hydraulic line that carries fluid from the clutch lever/slave to the clutch master cylinder. For the past two or three months, I thought that the bearings in my steering were worn and would need replacement. Last week during a routine oil change I raised the front of "Sissie," my yellow monster, with a floor jack and tested the front of the cycle for any looseness or wobble. As I turned the front from side to side, I could feel a pronounced snag in the steering. There was no looseness or wobble. With further investigation, I found that the clutch "cable" (hydraulic line) had been pulled loose from the clip on the top of the left shock absorber and was chafing on the edge of the faring. This is what had been causing my erratic steering. I rerouted the line and tied it securely with tie wraps and also made sure that it was held tightly in the proper clamp on top of the left shock. It is worn but does not leak; I will keep an eye on it and make sure that it stays away from any surface that could further chafe the line. My steering is now as smooth as ever and I hope it stays that way.

Have you paid your MARC dues for 2010? If the mailing label on your news letter is in RED print, it is time to pay up. Also, please note that you now have the option of receiving your monthly newsletter online in lieu of snail mail. The newsletter will be posted on the MARC Web page within a day or two of

the day that Bonnie takes them to the post office. Receiving your newsletter electronically will save paper, postage and time. Consider this and if you can opt for the electronic version, it would be appreciated. We can even put a reminder on the MARC List each time the newsletter is updated on the Web Page, thus making it easier to read or print your copy.

Now for a note from your MARC Net Control; did you check in November or December and have your number pulled by Mijo for the \$10 worth of 50-50 tickets? If so, remember that you must be present at the January MARC meeting to collect. Good luck! Congratulations to Michael, N6QZT, (he was the big winner at the MARC Christmas dinner and took home the Kenwood D710 mobile radio), and to all of the prize winners at the dinner in December.

Until we meet again, I wish you many safe miles and please don't forget to smile when we speak on the radio.

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## New Year's Reflections

Looking back on the months gone by,  
As a new year starts and an old one ends,  
We contemplate what brought us joy,  
And we think of our loved ones and our friends.

Recalling all the happy times,  
Remembering how they enriched our lives,  
We reflect upon who really counts,  
As the fresh and bright new year arrives.  
And when we ponder those who do,  
we immediately think of you.  
Thanks for being one of the reasons we'll  
have a Happy New Year!

By Joanna Fuchs

**"MARC" CALENDAR**  
(SO FAR THIS IS THE WAY IT LOOKS)

JAN 9 "MARC" BREAKFAST MEETING  
FEB 6 "MARC" BREAKFAST MEETING  
FEB 13 TOUR DE PALM SPRINGS  
MAR 13 "MARC" BREAKFAST MEETING  
APRIL 10 "MARC" BREAKFAST MEETING  
APRIL 17 SAN DIEGO TOUR DE CURE  
APRIL 17/18 MS150 HOUSTON, TX  
APRIL 17/18 BAKER TO VEGAS  
APRIL 25 TOUR DE OC FOR ABUSED KIDS  
MAY 2 SHIP TO SHORE TOUR  
MAY 8 18<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY MEETING  
JUNE 12 "MARC" BREAKFAST MEETING  
JUNE 13 BAD RIDE  
JULY NO MEETING WE ARE FREE  
AUG 14 "MARC" BREAKFAST MEETING  
SEPT 11 "MARC" BREAKFAST MEETING  
OCT 9 "MARC" BREAKFAST MEETING  
OCT 16/17 MS 150 28 th  
NOV 6/7 MS 150 LAS VEGAS, NV  
NOV 13 "MARC" BREAKFAST MEETING  
DEC 11 "MARC" CHRISTMAS PARTY

**"MARC" NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:**  
(SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

FEB 3 FOR FEBRUARY  
MAR 3 FOR MARCH  
MAR 31 FOR APRIL  
APR 26 FOR MAY  
JUN 2 FOR JUNE/JULY  
AUG 4 FOR AUGUST  
SEPT 1 FOR SEPTEMBER  
SEPT 29 FOR OCTOBER  
NOV 3 FOR NOVEMBER  
DEC 1 FOR DECEMBER  
DEC 29 FOR JANUARY 2011

Well no news from the snow covered  
tundra! sorry, Bonnie! too many  
family things going on this week.  
tim, ab0ts



IT'S THE LATEST STYLE FOR YL'S---IT'S  
CALLED "EXOTIC GROUND RADIALS?"

## Ten Things All Car & Truck Drivers Should Know About Motorcycles

Over half of all fatal motorcycle crashes involve another vehicle. Most of the time, the motorist, not the motorcyclist, is at fault. There are a lot more cars and trucks than motorcycles on the road, and some drivers don't "recognize" a motorcycle - they ignore it (usually unintentionally).

Because of its small size, a motorcycle can be easily hidden in a car's blind spots (door/roof pillars) or masked by objects or backgrounds outside a car (bushes, fences, bridges, etc). Take an extra moment to look for motorcycles, whether you're changing lanes or turning at intersections.

Because of its small size, a motorcycle may look farther away than it is. It may also be difficult to judge a motorcycle's speed. When checking traffic to turn at an intersection or into (or out of) a driveway, predict a motorcycle is closer than it looks.

Motorcyclists often slow by downshifting or merely rolling off the throttle, thus not activating the brake light. Allow more following distance, say 3 or 4 seconds. At intersections, predict a motorcyclist may slow down without visual warning.

Motorcyclists often adjust position within a lane to be seen more easily and to minimize the effects of road debris, passing vehicles, and wind. Understand that motorcyclists adjust lane position for a purpose, not to be reckless or show off or to allow you to share the lane with them.

Turn signals on a motorcycle usually are not self-canceling, thus some riders (especially beginners) sometimes forget to turn them off after a turn or lane change. Make sure a motorcycle's signal is for real.

Maneuverability is one of a motorcycle's better characteristics, especially at slower speeds and with good road conditions, but don't expect a motorcyclist to always be able to dodge out of the way.

Stopping distance for motorcycles is nearly the same as for cars, but slippery pavement makes stopping quickly difficult. Allow more following distance behind a motorcycle because it can't always stop "on a dime."

When a motorcycle is in motion, see more than the motorcycle - see the person under the helmet, who could be your friend, neighbor, or relative.

If a driver crashes into a motorcyclist, bicyclist, or pedestrian and causes serious injury, the driver would likely never forgive himself/herself.

THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE CAME FROM THE  
MOTORCYCLE SAFETY FOUNDATION;;;  
SHOULD BE OUT FOR PUBLIC TO SEE

First things first, here's praying that everyone had a very Merry Christmas and are going to have a Happy, Safe & Prosperous New Year.



1. The days are getting longer already, not fast mind you, but they are getting longer, slow but sure. Before you know it riding season for some of our MARC members who live further North will be here for them too. The weather here in Southern CA. has been pretty spectacular for the most part. Been in the 65 to 75 degree range most of the time. That is until today when it only got up to 55 and it is sprinkling.

2. The night of the MARC Christmas Party we got a lot of rain and we had to scramble to get everything out of the vans and into the Lakeview Cafe before it got too wet. The wind was blowing pretty hard at times too, so some of those that had planned on coming and had bought raffle prize tickets, didn't make it because of the severe weather. Certainly can't blame them for not coming. The turn out was still very good and we certainly had some expensive prizes to draw for. I am sure that Mijo or Bonnie has an article in the newsletter somewhere in here to tell you who won what. I again got lucky and won the set of tires from Huntington Honda and also won 3 or 4 other smaller prizes. I tried to make a deal with someone for the tires but got no takers. I already have another set of tires coming that I won at either last years Christmas Party or the MARC Anniversary last May. No I can't ride Casper right now, so I am not able to put any wear on the tires that are on Casper now. So if anyone needs a set of tires at say 50% of the cost of having a set bought and installed at Huntington Honda, give me a call (949-300-9669) or send me an email. We had so many wonderful raffle prizes this year that I don't think anyone went home empty handed.

3. Speaking of Huntington Honda, we have been having some pretty good turn outs for our Saturday morning informal get-togethers for pastries and free coffee. We normally kick tires and tell lies there until about 10:30am and then over to Woody's 50's Dinner for more kicking tires and telling more lies. Hi, Hi.

4. This is no lie, I am now into the 9th week since the right shoulder replacement and am doing much better then both the surgeon and the therapist thought possible. I have been in therapy only 7 weeks and there is another fellow there that had his shoulder done 6 weeks ahead of me and I am darn near caught up to him with the many motions that the shoulder has to do. Still have a long way to go, but am hoping that if I continue to work hard at rehab I will be able to ride Casper for the Tour de Palm Springs Saturday Feb 13th. That would be way ahead of the time table that the surgeon had said it would take before I could ride again. For those that have been through a shoulder replacement surgery and for those that may someday have to have it done, it is by far the hardest joint to rehab in the body. I had both hips done, one 11 years ago and the other 12 years ago there is no comparison getting the hips rehabbed to getting a shoulder replacement back in shape. Wish I had followed the surgeons suggestion 10 years ago and had both of them done then. I am still out walking 1 1/2 miles a day and working out at home lifting weights (7 Lb. Heavy Hands dumbbells) and using the Therabands (heavy rubber bands hooked to a door knob) working on the shoulders about 2 hours a day.

5. I went in today to get a CTA scan of my right carotid artery because the ultrasound that I had done before Christmas showed

that I had more plaque build up then the last time we looked at it two years ago. Won't hear until next week what today's testing will show, but this will be the 3rd time that I have gone through this and the other 2 times I actually went into the hospital operating room and they cut open the artery in my right groin area and was going to put a stent in, but decided after looking at it from the inside, not to put a stent in as the artery was not over 65% blocked. This time they think it is over 70% blocked. We'll have to wait and see what happens this time.

6. Talking about the Tour de Palm Springs, we have a new assistant coordinator to help John WSJFR now and he is Harold KI6TYH. Thank you very much Harold and we really appreciate you getting more involved with MARC and stepping up to the plate to help John with the Tour de Palm Springs. We love to see our MARC members get more involved in our charity events, after all, that is what MARC is all about.

7. Last but not least, New Years resolutions. Not much to talk about here. I only have about 7 Lbs. to lose again after New Years day and that will be easy once I stop eating all of the Christmas candy and drinking the eggnog. For the most part I have been really careful about my diet since losing that 30 Lbs. this year and I promise myself that I will never get to where I can't wear my 34 size waist pants again. That 7 Lbs. will be gone again in short order after New Years.

8. Skype, well I hadn't heard about that program until my daughter told me that she talked to my grandson in Japan for 1.5 hours for free and could see him like he was sitting across the table from her. So after that we went out and bought a Logitech Web Cam and down loaded the free program and picked out a good name to use on Skype (if you are thinking about getting on Skype too, be sure to carefully choose your Skype name). I did not like the first name I chose and had to uninstall Skype to choose another name I liked and everyone would recognize who I was (ray.daviskd6fhn). There many, many Ray Davis' so I went through many ray.davis' plus something else before I finally decided to use my ham call sign and that way no other Ray Davis could have that. I have 14 people on my contact list already and 8 of them are MARC members. Like Mikey says, "Try it, you'll like it".

Work hard on the MARC charity events and enjoy life the best we can and maintain our health. What more could we ask for?

God Bless all of our MARC members and thank you all for all the hard work you did for those National Charity Organizations this year and in the years to come.

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

Ray Davis KD6FHN <raykd6fhn@earthlink.net>

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Casper now with 178K

Did you know every ton of mixed paper recycled can save the energy equivalent of 185 gallons of gasoline.

Recycling just 1 ton of aluminum cans conserves the equivalent of 1,665 gallons of gasoline.

By recycling and composting 83 million tons of municipal solid waste, we reduced carbon dioxide emissions by an amount equivalent to removing more than 33 million cars from the road, and we saved an amount of energy equivalent to 10.2 billion gallons of gasoline.

From Municipal Solid Waste Generation, recycling & disposal in the US-facts& figures for 2008

<b>#</b>	<b>DONATORS</b>	<b>DONATIONS</b>	<b>WINNING #</b>	<b>WINNER</b>
1	MARC	KENWOOD D 710 A	952803	MIKE N6QZT
2	MARC	MINI WIRE STRIPPER	952991	BILLY KF6WBV
3	MARC	BATH & BODY MOONLIGHT PATH COLLECTION	953263	DE WITT KM6UK
4	MARC	\$24CHRISTMAS PLACEMAT SET & THIS HOME BELIEVES PLAQUE	953521	RAY KD6FHN
5	MARC	7 PC STANDARD FLEX HEAD GEAR WRENCH	953375	HAROLD KI7TYH
6	MARC	7 PC METRIC FLEX HEAD GEAR WRENCH SET	953152	SCOTT KI6IXQ
7	MARC	EGG NOG/CHEESE/CRACKERS/CUTTING BOARD	953343	PETE N5PS
8	HUNTINGTON HONDA	SET OF TIRES MOUNTED & BALANCED	952600	RAY KD6FHN
9	HUNTINGTON HONDA	\$25 GIFT CERTIFICATE (JULY)	952691	MIKE N6QZT
10	HUNTINGTON HONDA	\$25 GIFT CERTIFICATE (DECEMBER)	952571	RAY KD6FHN
11	COMET(NCG)	\$50 HONEY BAKED HAM GIFT CERTIFICATE	953394	BILL K6WBD
12	JB CYCLES	\$25 GIFT CERTIFICATE	952938	DAVID KF6TPH
13	RAY & BONNIE DAVIS	\$20 ANCHOR HOCKING INSULATED TOTE & DISH	953135	KEVIN KI6SUJ
14	RAY & BONNIE DAVIS	VEHICLE POWER SYSTEM	953202	BRITNEY/BRIAN
15	RAY & BONNIE DAVIS	CHRISTMAS SINGING COWBOY	953167	PAT KI6ETG
16	TOM & SHERON GUTHRIE	"MARC" BELT BUCKLE (\$25)	953478	BILLY N6EDY
17	BILLY & CONNIE SIMS	\$25 GIFT CARD FOR APPLEBEES	953540	RAY KD6FHN
18	CHRIS OWENS	SOLAR PANEL	953190	BRIAN KG6JOA
19	MIKE & DAVID NARON	DUAL COLOR LED FLASHLITE	953388	DE WITT KM6UK
20	JOHN & MIJO REYNOLDS	CORDLESS DRILL	952639	MIJO KF6BEB
21	BRIAN, DESIREEE, BRITNEY	FOO FOO BASKET (PER BRIAN(:))S	953359	PETE N6PS
<b>WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE WHO DONATED A PRIZE FOR OUR 2009 CHRISTMAS PARTY.</b>				
<b>THANK YOU EVER SO MUCH</b>				
<b>MANY THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED SET-UP THAT INCLUDES "JOSE" THE BUS BOY</b>				
<b>AND TO LINDA OUR WAITRESS , THE CHEFS WHO PREPARED OUR WONDERFUL MEAL.</b>				
<b>OF COURSE WE NEED TO RECOGNIZE NICK, THE OWNER</b>				
<b>THANK YOU JOHN KC6Z0Z FOR SELLING THE TICKETS &amp; PICKING UP THE EXTRA TABLES &amp; CHAIRS.</b>				
<b>AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST MY RIGHT HAND 50/50 LADY MIJO KF6BEB</b>				
<b>JUST A NOTE WE HAD TO DRAW A SECOND NUMBER FOR THE RADIO AS THE FIRST ONE</b>				
<b>DRAWN , THE PERSON WAS NOT HERE #952685</b>				

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

Draw for 11/11 on 11/18 #7 Mel KD6MPB winner  
Draw for 11/25 on 12/02 #2 Mijo KF6BEB winner

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Draw for 12/02 on 12/09 #8 Charles KF6TXI winner  
Draw for 12/09 on 12/16 #8 Alvin KD6UZM winner  
Draw for 12/16 on 12/23 #4 Bonnie KD6OFQ winner  
Draw for 12/23 on 12/30 #5 Charles KF6TXI N/A  
EBs: Tom K2QGT & Sheron KC6ZSH,  
Rich N6TAX & Sue KC6UMH  
Echolink::  
Norm N9ZKS (IL) & Mark KE6ZRP (CA)

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LINDA, We thank you for all your time and efforts while waiting on our members.. Nick & Pamela Goody the owners and their employees are very accommodating to our "MARC" members... Thank you all so much. Greatly appreciated!!!!  
"Nick" the Television is wonderful and we have certainly used it for our pictures of our events. A very good asset as far as MARC is concerned. Thank you Thank you...

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#### NEW MEMBERS:

No New members for December

#### MEETING:

Well you guessed it- our meeting was in the evening with a joyful Christmas Party.  
Connie & Billy Sims presented Ray and I with a beautiful quilt made from many of our event tee shirts. We will have it at the January meeting and we will get a good full picture of it for the website. Thank you Connie so much for all the work you did on the quilt and thank you both for the accolades. We are going to encase it in plastic and hang it on our living room wall.  
We had a good turnout seeing the bad weather we had and I believe everyone had a good time and enjoyed their meal...  
The winners of the prizes are on a separate page.

#### NEWSLETTER:

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR ARTICLES -  
Members who will have dues coming up for 2010- your mailing label will be in RED if your dues are due, also there was a renewal form in your December newsletter with some changes, checks to be made out to Zella Davis, hopefully I get this changed after the first of the year, also at the bottom we are asking if you want to keep receiving the newsletter by mail or get it off the website, there you can print out what you want.  
If you check above your name you can verify the date when your dues expire>>>>>  
You will be receiving the January newsletter as I have receipts

from the party as well as any renewals I received.

#### SUNSHINE CORNER:::

Dire need of love and prayers Bob N6HOJ has pancreatic cancer stage 4, . Rob KH7MW (Hawaii) already out there riding his motorcycle, Ray KD6FHN is thinking of getting the left shoulder done ASAP

Chuck KG6NJP will be going in January 4th for his right shoulder replacement, then his bod should be in fairly good operating condition.

Connie B rown, sounds like your thumb has been repaired and you are ready to use it.

Take good care of yourselves, stay away from the swine flu and any other bad colds that are floating about .

Anyone else out there who I have not mentioned Please know we love and pray for each of you...as we do care... Life is not an easy task when it comes to sickness and losing someone.

Love and Prayers to All who are ill , had surgery, lost a loved one, we "MARC" are here for you day and night...

We honor our Military for putting their lives in danger so we may live. Their families need our support and love as well.  
Keep up the spirit... Love & Gratitude to all  
GOD BLESS AMERICA SUPPORT OUR TROOPS  
IN GOD WE TRUST

#### GIVE YOURSELF A PRICELESS GIFT TODAY

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Let go of an old hurt. Forgive yourself for any mistakes.  
See your strengths instead of your "flaws."  
Tell yourself:  
"I can" instead of "I can't."  
Believe that dreams come true.  
Drop something from your to-do list.  
RELAX!!!!  
You give so much to others, you deserve a present , too.  
And being good to yourself is free!!!

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A healthy brain contributes to our well being.....  
The number of people in the world 6.4 billion....  
The number of brain cells in a human 100 billion....

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Who Knew:  
If you received all the gifts in the song "Twelve Days of Christmas" you would get 364 presents. Their cost \$86,609.

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Did you know::  
While soda and bottled water both have expiration dates, they'll actually never spoil...

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Who knew:::  
If you put a raisin in a glass of Champagne, it will keep bouncing off the bottom and floating to the top..

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Did you know:::  
Volunteer for just one day in 2010, and Disney will award you a free ticket to one of their theme parks!!  
Go to DisneyParks.com  
(This is true I checked it out---Bon)



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## **09NR38 - MRF News Release - Washington Update**

### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**16 December 2009**

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**WASHINGTON, D.C.** — President Obama, on Friday, announced that he has nominated David L. Strickland to be the new administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

Strickland has served for eight years on the staff of the U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. As the Senior Counsel for the Consumer Protection Subcommittee, he is currently the lead staff person for the oversight of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), the Federal Trade Commission, and the Consumer Product Safety Commission. He has also served as the lead Senate staff person in the formulation of the Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) reforms and standards included in the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007, and in a staff leadership role in the reauthorization of the NHTSA in the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act of 2005 (SAFETEA-LU).

His work in advising Commerce Committee members led to the inclusion of several significant vehicle safety mandates, including the electronic stability control mandate for every passenger vehicle. Mr. Strickland advised Congressional members on safety reforms and funding increases for the NHTSA's seatbelt and drunk driving grant programs. Mr. Strickland earned his J.D. degree at Harvard Law School, and his B.S. Degree in Communication Studies and Political Science at Northwestern University.

Strickland's nomination was the subject of a Senate Hearing yesterday where he faced no opposition. The MRF looks forward to continue to work with Mr. Strickland once he is approved by the full Senate. We hope he takes a sensible approach to motorcycle safety.

### **2010 grant money**

The last round of the 2010 grant money was dispersed recently. \$7 Million dollars total was sent to individual states to be used for motorcycle safety purposes. All 50 states received at least \$100,000 with some of the more populated states getting more than \$300,000.

**The following is a list of the States that qualified for FY 2009 Section 2010 grants and the amounts to be awarded:**

### **State FY 2009 Motorcyclist Safety Grants**

ALABAMA \$114,238  
ALASKA \$100,000  
ARIZONA \$111,200  
ARKANSAS \$100,000  
CALIFORNIA \$482,959  
COLORADO \$110,080  
CONNECTICUT \$100,000  
DELAWARE \$100,000  
FLORIDA \$257,007  
GEORGIA \$164,399  
HAWAII \$100,000  
IDAHO \$100,000  
ILLINOIS \$220,884  
INDIANA \$133,372  
IOWA \$101,658  
KANSAS \$104,884  
KENTUCKY \$105,047  
LOUISIANA \$104,965  
MAINE \$100,000  
MARYLAND \$106,176  
MASSACHUSETTS \$119,970  
MICHIGAN \$186,872  
MINNESOTA \$130,550  
MISSISSIPPI \$100,000  
MISSOURI \$136,277  
MONTANA \$100,000  
NEBRASKA \$100,000  
NEVADA \$100,000  
NEW HAMPSHIRE \$100,000  
NEW JERSEY \$144,587  
NEW MEXICO \$100,000  
NEW YORK \$291,150  
NORTH CAROLINA \$158,704  
NORTH DAKOTA \$100,000  
OHIO \$202,304  
OKLAHOMA \$107,642  
OREGON \$100,000  
PENNSYLVANIA \$214,038  
PUERTO RICO \$100,000  
RHODE ISLAND \$100,000  
SOUTH CAROLINA \$101,080  
SOUTH DAKOTA \$100,000  
TENNESSEE \$127,038  
TEXAS \$366,564  
UTAH \$100,000  
VERMONT \$100,000  
VIRGINIA \$138,601  
WASHINGTON \$127,519  
WEST VIRGINIA \$100,000  
WISCONSIN \$130,235  
WYOMING \$100,000  
TOTAL \$7,000,000

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MARC Equipment controller is Ray Davis KD6FHN  
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## 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**

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

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

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

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

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

### Polished Stainless Steel Trunk Rack Plates

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Price: \$19.00**

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

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

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

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

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

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



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**Maldol AX-75 DUAL-BAND 2M/440MHZ WIFOLD-OVER**  
Gain & Wave: 2M 1/2 wave center load 3.2dBi • 70cm 5/8 wave x 2 5.7dBi • Length: 30" • Conn: PL-259 • Max Power: 60W

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Gain & Wave: 2M 1/2 wave center load 3.3dBi • 70cm 5/8 wave x 2 5.6dBi • Length: 38" • Conn: PL-259 • Max Power: 60W

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Gain & Wave: 146MHz 2.15dBi 1/4 wave, 446MHz 3.8dBi 5/8 wave center load • VSWR: 1.5:1 or less • Length: 18"  
• Conn: PL-259, SBB-2NMO - NMO style • Max Pwr: 60W

**Maldol EX-107RB / EX-107BNMO DUAL-BAND 2M/440MHZ**  
Gain & Wave: 146MHz 2.6dBi 1/2 wave, 446MHz 4.9dBi 5/8 wave x 2 • VSWR: 1.5:1 or less • Length: 29"  
• Conn: PL-259, EX-107BNMO - NMO style • Max Pwr: 100W

**COMET SBB-5 / SBB-5NMO DUAL-BAND 2M/440MHZ WIFOLD-OVER**  
Gain & Wave: 146MHz 2.5dBi 1/2 wave • 446MHz 5.5dBi 5/8 wave x 2 • Length: 39"  
• Conn: SBB-5 PL-259, SBB-5NMO - NMO style • Max Pwr: 120W

**COMET SBB-7 / SBB-7NMO DUAL-BAND 2M/440MHZ WIFOLD-OVER**  
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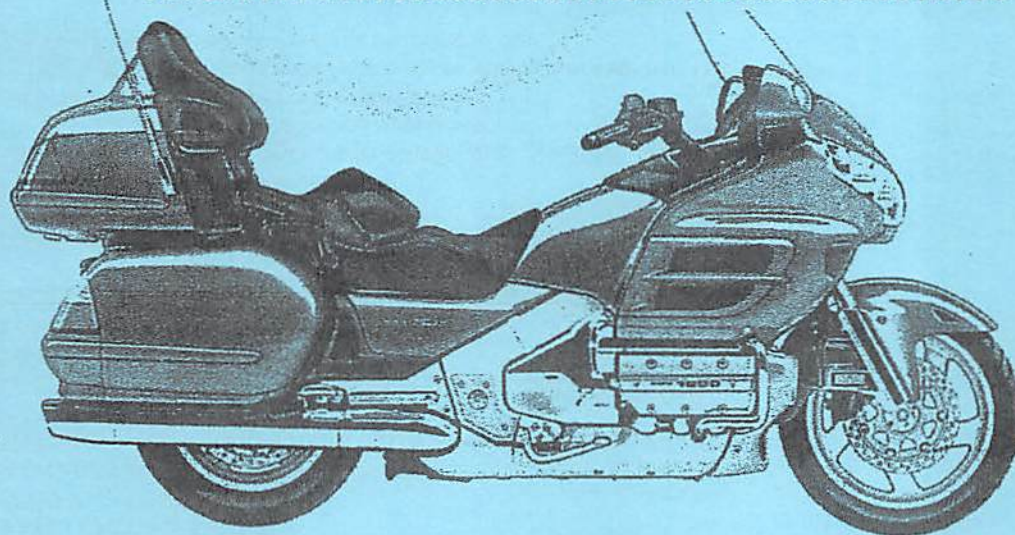


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