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MISSION STATEMENT:

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

MARCH 2013

From The President's Desk

It's March and almost spring! That means it is time to ride again. The Southern California bicyclists have a bad case of cabin fever, almost as bad as we motorcyclists. It is definitely time to make sure that the tires are ready, both air and tread, batteries are charged, and the lights are working. On to the radios and GPS units. Insure that both have been checked out and programmed with the frequencies and routes as needed. Then come and join your MARC sisters and brothers to support the three bicycle events in April and the first weekend of May. It will definitely be a busy three or four weeks for those of us in So. Cal. We will need all the help we can get for these events. "MARC" your calendar, then come and join us. We need as many motors as we can muster, also help at net control and drivers for the Support and Gear vehicles. I guarantee it will be fun. So for a good time, come to the next MARC meeting and sign up for one or all of these events.

The events of the past few weeks here in So. Cal. have kept me busy with Patriot Guard rides. The misguided rage of a former Los Angeles Police officer culminated with the death of a Riverside, CA. Police Officer and also the death of a San Bernardino County Sheriff. The Guard was requested to stand for both of these law enforcement officers at their funerals. I have a soft spot in my heart for these men who place their health and welfare in harm's way for the good of us all every day. It was an honor to stand with my brothers in the Patriot Guard to salute these true heroes of Riverside and San Bernardino counties.

On the home front, Mijo and I are still busy with our grand-daughter two or three days a week. And as usual the "dad help"

call from my son. This time it was a flat tire on the daughter-in-law's car. It was just after 5 PM when he called asking for help with my floor jack and some wrenches (dad has more tools in his kit). This would make tire changing much easier than the factory (toy) jack and lug wrench. We got the tire off and to the tire shop (ten minutes after closing). With a bit of extra incentive, say \$\$\$, they agreed to repair the flat. Then it was back to son's house, reinstall the tire and torque the lugs (dad's torque wrench of course). The car was ready for the 2 AM trip to work in Palm Springs.

We had a very good St. Valentine's day dinner with our daughter, son, and their spouses. It was our son's birthday that made it just a bit better. Now we are looking forward to the 26th of February, our 47th anniversary. Who could believe that my angel Mijo could put up with me for that long?

As I said earlier, our next MARC meeting will be 9 March, 2013 at the Home Town Buffet in Santa Anna. Please come and join us as we will have last minute updates from our event coordinators for the San Diego Tour de Cure, the Long Beach Ship to Shore Tour, and the Tour de OC (formerly the Ride for Abused Kids). Your help is needed for one or all of these events. We will also be deciding what we will have on the table for our 21st anniversary meeting in May.

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

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| APR | 2 ND | FOR APRIL |
| APR | 30 TH | FOR MAY |
| MAY | 28 TH | FOR JUNE/JULY |
| JUL | 30 TH | FOR AUGUST |
| SEPT | 3 RD | FOR SEPTEMBER |
| OCT | 1 ST | FOR OCTOBER |
| OCT | 28 TH | FOR NOVEMBER |
| DEC | 3 RD | FOR DECEMBER |

MARC" CALENDAR FOR 2013

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| MAR | 9 TH | BREAKFAST MEETING |
| APR | 13 TH | BREAKFAST MEETING |
| Apr | 20 TH | SAN DIEGO TOUR |
| Apr | 28 TH | SHIP TO SHORE TOUR |
| May | 4 TH -5 TH | TOUR DE OC |
| May | 11 TH | 21 ST ANNIVERSARY "MARC" |
| JUN | 8 TH | BREAKFAST MEETING |
| JUL | | NO MEETING |
| AUG | 10 TH | BREAKFAST MEETING |
| SEPT | 7 TH | BREAKFAST MEETING |
| SEPT | 14 TH | SANTA BARBARA TOUR |
| OCT | 12 TH | BREAKFAST MEETING |
| NOV | 2 ND | SANTA BARBARA TOUR |
| NOV | 9 TH | BREAKFAST MEETING |
| DEC | 14 TH | CHRISTMAS PARTY |

"When it comes to your potential—
There's no limit. When it comes to
how many dreams your heart can
hold—there's no end!"

(Tammy Croft)

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

Eating two cloves of garlic(raw or
cooked) daily can cut your risk of
developing a long-lasting cough in
half, says British researchers....

San Diego Tour de Cure April 20, 2013
Goal: 530,000 Riders: 554 Teams: 69
Achieved: \$104,973 Riders: 692 Teams: 78

They have 8 rest stops and have rented 5 vans for sags and have invited CARES group to assist MARC. Yes they are aboard. We will be meeting with Ken(CARES) myself & Jim hopefully, along with Nickie)

We have Nickie (Nicole) from MS 150 taking Melissa's place as Melissa has moved on after 4-5 years.

Routes this year are 7,30,50,75,100

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Ship to Shore Tour de Cure April 28, 2013
Goal: \$1,000,000 Riders: 3000 Teams: 200
Achieved: \$107,659 Riders: 1134 Teams: 108

The last meeting was held at the Torrance Memorial Medical Center where they were given a tour of the new Cardiac & Diabetes rehab Facilities.

Also they are putting a little pressure on the Queen Mary parking experience...

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TOUR DE OC MAY 4/5, 2013
Goal: \$200,000 Riders: 250 Teams:
Achieved:

RIDE THE TOUR DE OC and give kids a chance to get help. Your support goes to the Royal Family Kids Camp. the nation's leading network of camps for abused, neglected and abandoned children.

Start @ Chick Filet in Costa Mesa & finish in Mission Bay

Scott K6IXQ Kim KI6MRQ

SANTA BARBARA TOUR DE CURE OCT 26, 2013
Goal: \$150,000 Teams: Riders:
Achieved: \$20 Teams: 1 Riders: 3

Not too much happening here looking for a new start/finish point

Mark KE6ZRP Bonnie KD6OFQ

ORANGE COUNTY TOUR de CURE NOV 2, 2013
GOAL: \$200,00 RIDERS: TEAMS:
Achieved: \$512 Riders: 13 Teams: 4

Rtes 8*25*66*10 MTN*20 MTN
Working on the routes and securing them.

Mike N6QZT <mnaron51@gmail.com>
Bonnie KD6OFQ

MS 150 Bay to Bay Event: OCT 19th & 20th, 2013
GOAL: 2,000,000 TEAMS: RIDERS:

This years event began with an awards luncheon for all of the top sponsors and volunteers for the 2012 Bay to Bay Tour. In attendance representing MARC, were John Edwards (KC6ZOZ), Andy Bocker (W6AJB), Pat Bocker (KE6ETG) and Krista Owens (KB6MYR).

Immediately following the luncheon, the planning committee conducted its first planning meeting. Itineraries were handed out followed by introductions and a name & email sign up sheet was pass around.

The meeting started with an introduction from the planning chair. From there, representatives from all of the sub-committee gave a report and spoke of some of the upcoming challenges and offered suggestions as well.

The meeting lasted approximately two hours.

The meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Wednesday of the month. The next one is on March 20th, 6:30 pm. Krista has agreed to be the secretary for our group and to write up a short newsletter after each meeting.

- Krista KB6MYR Andy W6AJB John KC6ZOZ

B A D RIDE UPDATE

The American Diabetes Association's B A D Ride - as we have known it in the past - has been changed.

The ride will no longer have motorcycle riders assemble at various "start cites" throughout Southern California and travel in convoys to a central meeting place for a "party".

Present plans call for a designated Harley Dealer to sponsor a "ride" that will start and return to that same dealership. These rides will probably be in the form of a "poker run" or whatever the sponsoring dealer wants to create. Initially there will probably be about four of these rides during the year.

At the present time there doesn't appear to be a need for MARC to participate in these rides as we have in the past.. We provided a necessary service for the ADA and can be pleased and proud of the assistance that we have provided over the past decade.

Charles and I want to thank all the MARC members who have so graciously donated their time and equipment over the past years toward the accomplishment of this mission.

Billy N6EDY and Charles KF6TXI

FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S DESK



OK, where to start? To much trouble to try to keep everything in chronological order, but I'll try.

At this writing it's Feb. 26th, 2013. Ham radio earthquake warning devise gave off 2 warnings at about 12 noon today, but we didn't feel anything. They were only 3.5 on the Richter Scale and not near here.

The Saturday March 9th MARC meeting will be the 3rd anniversary of when we moved our MARC meetings to the HomeTown Buffet in Santa Ana.

Sunday March 10th is the day we all have to change our clocks again to DL Savings Time. I haven't counted them, but I bet we have at least a dozen clocks, timers, watches, cars & motorcycles to reset every time.

Sunday March 17 is Saint Patrick's Day and it will be time to get out the green shirts and go drink some green beer again. Got to stay with the program you know.

Wed. March 20th, spring begins and it isn't too soon for us. However the weather people are saying it is going to get up to 80 degrees by this Friday & Saturday March 1st & 2nd. The nights lately have been around 45 degrees and the day time temperatures about 72 degrees. You gotta love Southern CA. :-)

Sunday March 31st is Eastern Sunday and time to eat those rich chocolate bunnies and eat those colored eggs. Yum, Yum.

April the last few years have been extremely busy of us (Bonnie & I) and of course for our MARC charity event volunteers too.

April 7th will mark the 22nd year of my retirement from the Inglewood Fire Dept. Damn, how time flies when your having fun, and we are having the time of our lives right now.

April 13th is the April MARC Meeting at the HomeTown Buffet.

April 15-16-17-18 myself and several of our MARC members will be at Front Sight for another 4 days of **Defensive Hand Gun Training**. We will leave Sunday April 14th and drive out to Pahrump NV and this time be staying at the Saddle West Casino Hotel. We couldn't get into the Pahrump Hotel & Casino as they were already booked when we tried to get rooms way back in Dec. This will be the 3rd Defensive Handgun Training course that we have attended. It is a lot of fun and the experience is something you will never forget. We will have to drive back home after the training session on Thursday April 18th because the following Saturday we have to be in San Diego for the San Diego Tour de Cure bicycle charity event.

Sat. April 20th, San Diego Tour de Cure bicycle charity

event. So this means that we have to come home from Front Sight Thursday night, Friday get the Toyota van

loaded with all the ham radio gear, tables, chairs, canopy & etc to set up Net control late Friday night and be ready to go early Saturday morning. That schedule really pushes us to the limits. Darn, 80 years old and still going like we are 40 and we call this fun.

Sunday April 28th, is the **Ship to Shore** in Long Beach CA. right near the Queen Mary. This event is one of the most fun events of the year and it has been growing leaps and bounds since it was first held 4 (I think) years ago. It is also the fastest growing event in Southern CA since it is the only time that **bicycle riders** are allowed to cross the Vincent Thomas Bridge over the Long Beach and Los Angles Harbor water ways. So it draws a lot of bicyclists from near and far who get this one chance a year to cross the Vincent Thomas Bridge.

For the MARC members, don't forget to check into our **MARC Wed. night nets** at 7:30pm on the **BARN Santiago Repeater** at 447.540, minus shift and a PL of 100.0. John WSJFR will be listening for all comers, both MARC members, guests and visitors.

Also be sure to join us at **Huntington Honda** on the Saturdays when we are not holding an official MARC meeting at the HomeTown Buffet. Also please remember to support those companies who support MARC with their generous donations of door prizes and Super Raffle prizes for our MARC Christmas Party and our May MARC Anniversary Parties. Also if you get a chance in meeting either Kevin WD6DIH or Steve KC6CRE be sure to thank them for all their support with their repeater systems for our MARC Wed. night nets and for our charity events. **Be sure to support all our sponsors.**

Ray, personal: As of this date, Tuesday, Feb, 26th, I have now ridden my bicycle a total of 670 miles since last Oct. I am now up to 10 miles 5 days a week. My goal was to get to 50 miles a week and I am there. I am also lifting some light weights again and trying to strengthen the shoulders and arms for the trip to Front Sight in April, but I have to be in shape to do it and not feel that I am pressing. Six to 700 rounds of shooting in 4 days does put a lot of pressure on your hands, arms and shoulders. Done it twice before and know what it takes. Casper (04 Honda Gold Wing) now has over 209,000 miles, but isn't getting much exercise lately. But the warm weather will change that too.

God Bless everyone and stay safe out there.

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"Obstacles are what we see when we take our eyes off the goal" (Rita Davenport)

MINNESOTA RIDING

"We need just 6 tenths of an inch to make this February the 10th snowiest month!" Watching the weather gurus on TV making that announcement. So far this month I haven't taken the BMW out for the monthly ride. Been lots of snow!

Monday the 25th, sun shining and water running out in the alley. However I have a small trip to take this coming Thursday. Cage drive to Beach, ND to pick up Tom Engh and move him back to Pine City, MN.

Temptations to take the bike out was great. But the DK-3 antenna needed to be replaced by the one I had bought from Lewis Osborne. I had thought I could use the same mount that was designed for the DK-3. Has a taper to the mount so the antenna fits snug.

Trouble was the antenna mount was 'fused' to the mount. No matter how hard I hit the bottom of that antenna the mount budged maybe 1/2 inch.

Checked out the inside diameter of the mount on the new antenna... Found a 11/16ths socket that fit perfect and took a 11/16ths nut coarse thread with new bolt, mounted the socket to the bracket and slipped the screwdriver antenna over that. I have a large U bolt covered with rubber which is attached to a rubber mounting pad for the hatch back.

Still need to find a connector for the screw driver motor.

So maybe today I will take the BMW out for the monthly ride.

No employment yet. I did pass the CDL for B license with an endorsement for bus driving. With that done there is more advantages out there.

I have been walking at one of the local Shopping Center Malls which is helping my blood pressure. Supposed to take a 12.5 mg pill but lately its 1/3rd of that.

Yep a few of my friends have been asking, "Where to this summer, Tim?" "All depends on finding either a temp job so I could take time off or a full time position." I reply. But first thing is this trip to North Dakota.

3 weeks ago I get a phone call from Tom Engh. He explained that he had just sold his bed. "Need you buddy to do your magic again!" Tom exclaimed. "You need to find us a queen size bed."

Craigslist came up on the screen. Searched for this bed and then called him. "White Bear Lake, Queen size for FREE!" So he calls the phone number then calls me back... "You can call him tomorrow around 3pm and set up time to get it, or he will have it outside his house for Thursday... Thanks Tim!"

Y'know sometimes it takes more than praying to do GOOD! I called my brother Tom, his wife Kathy answers the phone. "Call him on his cell.. I know nothing about the trailer!"

"Yah, you can borrow the trailer! Where you heading?" "Craigslist listing for a queens size bed over in White Bear Lake then north to Pine City." (70 Miles) "I will be home by 230, Tim."

Driving the Pontiac Montana and backed in, hooked up the trailer.

My brother and his wife do ministry with Chinese Students. Friendship Evangelism. They are always using their talents of going to the airport with a big card for recognition and either taking these students to new apartments or using a trailer for moving them around. And it Works!

Tom had worn out the last trailer in the past 15 years. He had been watching Craigslist for a new trailer and finally gave up... And then one of their supporters called him. Home built trailer made of aluminum with a long tongue followed my van over to White Bear Lake..For free! The only problem was the turn signals wired backwards..."Well we do KNOW you have brake lights!" Tom commented.

Of course I have to try to find this address myself...Its the man thing to do.. Finally called the residence and he instructed me to come up this cross street off of Century Road.. and then turned left. Interesting I had be on that road.. The street I was looking for was Oakridge.. "Ah the road I am turning left on is Shamrock!"

"Your doing fine... came the voice on the Cell... The Shamrock house numbers? 3 digit... Oakridge... 4 digit.. I see this young man waving at me.. The street's name had changed as well as the digits on the houses... Ayeee!

Drove up to Pine City. Could not back that trailer into the driveway. Tom Engh's wife Brenda was so thankful for the bed that she and her girlfriend carried the mattress and 2 box springs into the house! She slipped me a \$20 for gas... I know seemed rather low... however doing this wasn't about the money anyway!

Got to keep on giving, Either driving or motorcycle escort! Smiled the rest of the way back to my brother's and waited for him to come home and back that trailer.

Take care!

73

Tim Lindstrom, ab0ts
Columbia Heights, Mn
1995 BMW K1100RS.. hibernating

Total miles - 1014. Kevin Wilson KI6SUJ.

January 27th I took a ride to Death Valley. I try to make at least one ride there per year on what I call a therapy run. I ride alone and just go where my heart leads me for the day and let the worries go elsewhere. This time, I had four days to enjoy while my mother-in-law visited my wife. The weather had been on the cool side and weather reports had been predicting both wind and rain in the places I wanted to travel in and around Death Valley but it just seemed like a good time to go for a ride. I know what you might be thinking, but I like my mother-in-law, she just needed a bed to sleep in and mine was the most convenient for her at our small house.

I left the house wearing Frogg Toggs pants and jacket and my heavy leather jacket for warmth. Frogg Toggs are great for rain and as a wind breaker too. Good thing I did. I hit some rain getting to Lone Pine and the temperatures were mostly in the mid-40s to mid 50s during the trip. I also had some wind going out highway 14 from Santa Clarita. I tried to ride beside a big rig until I noticed it weaving across lanes and leaning a few times, so I decided to just deal with the wind without the benefit of the truck blocking the wind for me. It must have been carrying a light or empty load inside the trailer.

I stayed at the Dow Villa for three nights. After arriving, I stayed in the room to rest my back for a day, and then on day two, I rode into Death Valley and up to Scotty's Castle. I got some good pictures with no one around. Until a tourist bus arrived, I had the place to myself it was that deserted. It was about 40 degrees and a little windy. I set up for my picnic and eat some healthy snacks (banana, nuts, dried fruit and apple juice and water). The Parks Department has completely closed down the restaurant at Scotty's Castle. Now, they just sell water, fruit drinks and candy bars. After eating I walked around the place taking my pictures and talking to the rangers a bit. Then the wind really started to pick up. Looking due North, it looked like a massive storm approaching.

Looking back South, the sky was blue and not a cloud to be seen. So, I decided to head on back South to Stovepipe Wells for gas then back to Lone Pine.

The next day, I rode back into the park to eat at Furnace Creek then ride over to Dante's View (38 degrees at the top and windy) and Artist's Palate as the sun lit up the rocks, and headed out of the park through Badwater.

Badwater is starting to restore itself after the big flood of 2004. That 100 year flood sure made a mess of things and washed all the white salts to below the mud. Now it is starting to look white and pristine in the Badwater valley for about as far as you can see. Since it was getting dark,

I stayed in a little motor hotel in Shoshone.

It was actually quite nice and clean. It had a gas fire pit going near my door and a gas station next to the hotel, which I filled up the Wing before going to bed. The 1800 Goldwing ran fine the whole trip. APRS worked well except in the park (that was expected as there are no towers allowed in the park). I carried extra gas just in case, but I did not need it. I got off the bike at most of the attraction stops to make the whole ride easy on my back. **For a first ride of the year, this was a good one.**

This what the northerner motorcycle riders have to do when the snow comes with no riding for 4- 5 months....:::

- Ride like you'll never get to ride again..... up to the very last day possible.
- Finally concede that old man winter is here and put our bikes away.
- Wheel the bikes indoors (garage or kitchen) and plug in the chargers.
- Look at our bikes one last time, sigh deeply, turn slowly and walk away.
- Pour ourselves into our jobs or some other venture (website) and try not to think about riding.
- Count the days 'til spring. Remind ourselves that every new day adds 2 minutes of daylight.
- Watch the news searching for a break in the weather that might offer a chance to ride.
- Go out to the garage/kitchen and polish some chrome. Maybe fire her up for a minute.
- Act like a giggling schoolgirl when the weather breaks and you can finally ride again.

If you live to ride, as so many of us do, there's nothing fun about locking up your bikes and watching the snow fall outside our windows.

You can go outside and be "in the wind", but blizzard wind is not the same as summer riding wind. There are a few brave souls who will ride in almost any weather.

As long as the roads are free of snow and ice, you can really ride at any temperature, with heated seat, suits, gloves and grips.

Put on a face mask and go for it.

The rest of us will just mope around the house whining about how much winter sucks!

**FROM YOUR '50/50' LADY
MIJO REYNOLDS KF6BEB
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NET DRAWING WINNERS: NETS ON 447.540

Check in on the nets on Wednesday nights:

**Since there was a low attendance we only drew one name for the net draw & the winner was Kevin KI6SUJ
Winners receive \$5 of 50/50 tickets.**

50/50:

Cupid filled their hearts with love of money of \$46 each for oops we don't know for sure:;;;;//???????

**\$25 Gift certificate from Huntington Honda won by
John KC6ZOZ**

"MARC" door prize donations:

Lge PRINT Keyboard won by Chris AF6ZC

Lil' speakers won by Kim KI6MRQ

Pistachios won by Pat KI6ETG

Adjustable wrecking bar won by Alvin KD6UZM

Candle won by Jim KD6REA

Computer paper won by Chris AF6ZC

2013 Mouse pad& TOT Slim Stapler won by

Pat KI6ETG

Valentine's Blooming Expressions won by Teri KF6HJT

ID stamp/spare ink pad won by Teri KF6HJT

Ionic Salt bowl lamp won by Teri KF6HJT

Battery cables won by Kyle AF6YK

Thank you to the following for your donations:

**Billy Hall, John & Mijo Reynolds , Mike Naron, Kyle & Chris
Nightingale & Ray & Bonnie Davis**

Gray ticket distributor: John W5JFR

Gray ticket winner: 2013 Calendar won by Pat KF6ETG

Four gray ticket drawn this meeting.

**Thanks to Alvin & Teri for helping Mijo with the tickets...so
much appreciated...**

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NEW MEMBERS: Please Welcome:

No New members for February

If you will be late paying your dues just let me know as they are to be paid by the end of February or there will be no March newsletter and you will be dropped from the roster.. If you are not going to re-up let me know I really would appreciate it.

MEETING:

**The sign up sheets for the San Diego Tour de Cure & the Ship to Shore Tour & the Tour de OC will be at the March meeting Check page 2 for the dates of each event.
The remodel of the HomeTown Buffet is very nice but we have to learn where everything is-- and Rosy does a great job for us- keeping your dirty plates cleared so you can go**

load up again- My oh My...

NEWSLETTER:

Well March is upon us and soon the motorcycles will be traveling here and there across country for the sheer joy of riding and to many different events.

Share with us your ride as it makes interesting reading of your adventures good & bad...or funny..

SUNSHINE CORNER:::

Please keep Billy KF6WBV & Connie KF6YOM in your prayers. Mike KE6KWQ not doing well & sorry to hear about the loss of Mike's mother .

Love and prayers for Brian KJ6VZV & family for the loss of their mother.

Also Kile & Chris Nightingale for Kile's mother's health....

I have not heard from any of the East Coast members who live in New York, Connecticut & New Jersey.. Have e-mailed them but no answers...

We do love and care about each and every one of you & your family as you are all our family.....If I missed anyone so sorry. Lots of Love & Prayers to all.

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

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

We honor our Military for putting their lives in danger so we may live. Their families need our support in anyway we can.

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

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

National Bicycle Ride to Work is May 13th thru 17th, 13

Motorcycle Ride to Work is June 17th, 2013...

Oh Yes Yes 2/28/13

Talked to June today to find out how the kids were doing....Billy is doing really well- Connie is coming right along but it will be a long row to hoe.. She does have a broken jaw(they can rebreak it & set it the way it should be) not sure that is going to happen soon.

They are revamping the house in Utah so they can bring Connie home as her insurance will be running out in two months. She talks some & rests but hard due the jaw. Going to get an address for Connie's daughter so we can send her cards.... Later(:))s all the way

MOTORCYCLE BRACKETS

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

PTT Button Bracket

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

PTT Waterproof Button

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

Antenna Bracket For 1/2" Tubular Trunk Racks

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

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

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

Handlebar Brackets For HT's, GPS's

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

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(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

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

Data cable, 72" 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 (DE-9 female connector) to a Kenwood TH-D7A, TM-D700A or TM-D710A.

Built: \$19.00 Kit: \$9.00 Note: cable lengths shorter than 72" no extra charge.

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Built: \$24.00 Kit: \$14.00 Note: cable lengths shorter than 72" no extra charge.

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

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Garmin GPS-18PC GPS power cable

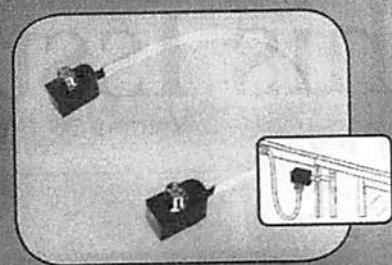
Power cable assembly, 36", with a 2A mini-ATO fuse in a weatherproof fuse holder. This cable converts a Garmin GPS-18PC cigarette lighter plug to "hard wired" for motorcycle or car. Note: this GPS is seldom used anymore; the Byonics GPS-2 is often used instead.

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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

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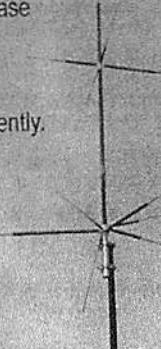
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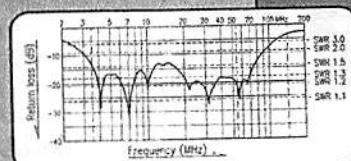
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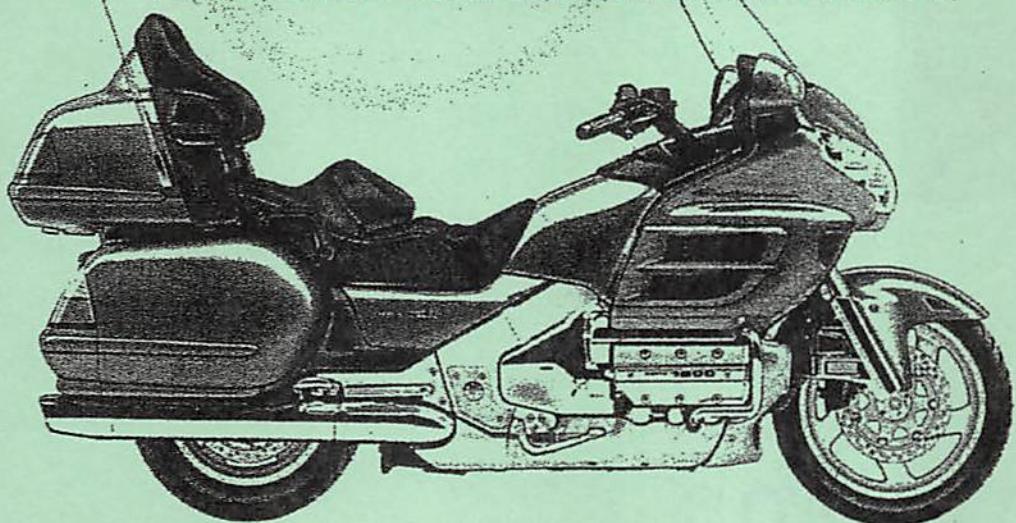
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