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MISSION STATEMENT:

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

APRIL 2013

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From The President's Desk

Spring 2013 is here. I hope the gods of gasoline \$\$\$\$ will be kind to all of us. We have a lot of riding/driving to do in the next few weeks: our monthly meeting on 13 April and an event to work each of the next three weekends. And on 11 May our monthly meeting again. Don't forget that the May meeting will be our anniversary meeting so we will have some special prizes for all on the table. Be prepared to buy a few extra pink tickets from John, KC6ZOZ.

Did I mention the three events this month? I need your help! MARC needs motorcycles, SAG vehicles, and Net Control operators for all three events. Please volunteer to help with one or all of these rides. Even if you can only work part of the day I am sure that our coordinators can find a slot for you. Any and all help is greatly appreciated by everyone involved in each of these charity fund raisers.

I would be remiss if I did not remind everyone to check their motor/vehicle to make sure that everything is in ship shape and ready to go. Also I must remind everyone to wear proper safety gear when riding. If we (you) go through the Marine base on the Tour de OC you must have long sleeves, full length pants (no shorts), over the ankle hard soled shoes and full finger gloves. That is their requirement. The Marine Corps no longer requires the reflective vest but MARC does. It is for your safety and to identify you as a MARC rider to the bicyclists riding in the event. It is also time to remind everyone that we in MARC cannot allow anyone (event staff or participant) from the events we work to be a passenger on our motors. Only if a passenger comes with you to the event may ride as a passenger on your motor. This is a

serious liability for MARC and we must stand by this requirement.

The weather man has been very kind to those of us who live here in Southern California this winter. Except for some wind in the Inland Empire, we have had fairly good riding weather all winter. I hope that it dries out and warms up quickly for our MARC members and friends who live in the East and up in the Great White North. If you go on a ride/drive this spring or summer, please take notes and jot down a ride summary then send it to Bonnie, KD6OFQ, so she can publish it here in our newsletter. It is always nice to read about your adventures and perhaps plan a similar ride.

It was with great sorrow that we heard of the passing of Mike Z, KE6KWQ. Mike was a long time MARC member and will be missed. God be with you Mike, now a silent key.

Mijo and I hope that everyone had a Happy Easter and that the Bunny was generous to all. We had breakfast with our son, daughter-in-law, and grand-daughter then moved to our daughter's in-laws for an Easter feast with the family. We hope that everyone in MARC had a very good day with family and friends.

Mijo and I passed the month of March going to doctor appointments, baby sitting the grand daughter and prepping the garden for the spring and summer growing season. An ENT specialist at the VA found that I have had an infection in one ear and a fungus in the other, both causing serious pain and difficulty hearing. There is more pain than hearing problems, caused by too much noise while on active duty in the USAF. We shall see what the diagnosis is after these problems are cleared up. I have

started in my garden by prepping a row at a time and so far have a few new tomato plants growing. I have seeded some pequin peppers (say HOT!) and radishes. More planting will come in the near future as the dirt warms to temperature. I have also had problems with rats coming through the chain link fence from the neighbor's yard in back. So far I have caught three large rats and two smaller ones in good old-fashioned wooden/spring traps. Then there is the rabbit that is sneaking in through the back gate. It has been nibbling on weeds so far but I know as soon as the peppers and radishes sprout it will make a salad of them. Can't have that. I have a large live trap set for him but no luck so far. I will keep trying till I finally find the right bait and catch him. Then, it will be a short truck ride up Cajon Pass to let him run in another pasture.

May you all be blessed with clear skies, good roads and happy days.

John F. Reynolds

President MARC

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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

(SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

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

THIS IS MATURITY:

To be able to stick with a job until it's finished; To do one's duty without being supervised; to be able to carry money without spending it; and to be able to leave an injustice without wanting to get even.
(Dear Abby)

San Diego Tour de Cure April 20, 2013
Goal: 530,000 Riders: 554 Teams: 69
Achieved: \$104,973 Riders: 692 Teams: 78
Start/Finish At Torrey Pines High School
3710 Del Mar Heights Rd, 92130

Some details I will be sending out via e-mail, Signs etc will be available at the start..

They are having their last meeting Wednesday April 10th.
Will verify the repeaters we will be using and will be on e-mail from Ray KD7FHN
Routes this year are 7,30,50,75,100

Jim KD6REA <james.banks@verizon.net>
Bonnie KD6OFQ <bonidavis@juno.com>

Ship to Shore Tour de Cure April 28, 2013
Goal: \$1,000,000 Riders: 3000 Teams: 200
Achieved: \$107,659 Riders: 1134 Teams: 108
Start/Finish Queen Mary -1126 Queen's Highway,
Long Beach 90802

The Long Beach Ship to Shore is fast approaching and things tend to move really fast at this point. April 28th is the event date, and if you have not signed up to work this event but would like to, please let me or Bonnie know at the next meeting, or by e-mail "ke6rp_mark@yahoo.com" or "bonidavis@juno.com" and let us know where you would like to work. April 4th will be the next meeting of the Ship to Shore committee and final plans will be put into place. Here is what we know right now:

The routes will be basically the same, with some minor tweaks.

The starting point and net control are at the same location
Chuck is working on the GPS routes and sheets.

12 motors have signed up so far (we should have 18 or this size of event)

5 SAGS have signed up (we should have 12)

So, we are a little light handed at this time, but if you feel you can help, or my know someone who can help, please let us know

As always, a big thanks goes out to all our MARC members.

Mark KE6ZRP ke6zrp_mark@yahoo.com
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Bonnie KD6OFQ

TOUR DE OC MAY 4/5, 2013
Goal: \$200,000 Riders: 250 Teams:
Achieved:
Start @ Chick-fil-A 3181 Harbor Bl, Costa Mesa 92626
Finish at Mission Bay, San Diego

Registration opens at 6AM
Saturday Ride -Three Routes - 25 Mile, 50 Mile, and Metric Century with well supported SAG and designated rest/lunch stops.
Riders leave Chik-fil-A in Costa Mesa, riding inland, south through Orange County for day 1 finish at San Clemente State Beach

Campground. Riders gear will be transported free of charge to the finish at the camp ground for them. Optional Saturday night camping with dinner provided at San Clemente State Beach or self-reservations for local hotels for riders continuing on to San Diego on Sunday. Additional camping arrangements can be self-arranged for families/friends of riders. Free transportation will be provided for riders only from campground to local hotels. Transportation back to start point for one day riders, bikes & gear will be provided per designated fee in registration.
Sunday Ride - A 50 Mile Route with supported SAG and designated rest/lunch stops. Leaving San Clemente State Beach Campground riding the coast route south to the day 2 finish at Mission Bay, San Diego. Transportation back to start point for riders, bikes & gear will be provided per designated fee in registration.

Scott K6IXQ Kim KI6MRQ

BAY TO BAY MS EVENT- OCT 19th & 20th, 2013
Goal:\$1,000,000 Riders: Teams:

Jennifer Gaylord is the new Bike MS Manager at the National MS Society. I wanted to introduce myself and send you my contact information. I look forward to meeting you in person! I previously worked for the Southern California & Nevada Chapter and am thrilled to be returning to NMSS and joining the Pacific South Coast Chapter Team!

At this time they are in the midst of getting their committees formed and structured.

Krista KB7MYR Andy W6AJB
John KC6ZOZ(background)

SANTA BARBARA TOUR DE CURE OCT 26/27, 2013
Goal: \$150,000 Teams: Riders:
Achieved: \$20 Teams: 1 Riders: 3

They have confirmed with the city that they will be having a two day event, on Saturday they will have the regular event while on Sunday will be dedicated for a Women's Invitational destination event. Only event of its kind in the nation- female athletes, celebrities, authors. This event will be nationally funded & televised.

Mark KE6ZRP Bonnie KD6OFQ

ORANGE COUNTY TOUR de CURE NOV 2, 2013
GOAL: \$200,00 RIDERS: TEAMS:
Achieved: \$512 Riders: 13 Teams: 4
Start/Finish at St John's Episcopal School
30382 Via Con Dios, Rancho Margarita, 92688

Rtes 8*25*66*10 MTN*20 MTN
Working on the routes and securing them along with the rest stops.. along with getting the permits needed for this event..

Mike N6QZT <mnaron51@gmail.com>
Bonnie KD6OFQ

FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S DESK

MARC business first:

Tuesday April 2nd, attended the funeral for former MARC member Mike Zimbalist KE6KWQSK. May he now rest in peace and pain free.

Saturday, April 13, 2013 is our next MARC meeting at the **HomeTown Buffet**. All you can eat for \$8, what a deal. The one time a month we get to forget our diets and pig out. Go for it. Besides, we have many charity events coming up this month and need more ham radio equipped motorcycles and net control operators to really give these national recognized charity organizations the kind of support they really need to be successful. For me personally, I dislike all of these charity events pushed into one month, but it does get them out of the way in a short time.

Saturday April 20th, is the **San Diego Tour de Cure for the American Diabetes Assoc.** We go down on Friday the 19th and set up most of Net control and stay at the Marriott hotel, near the start of the event, and be on site at about 5am for the rest of the set up on Saturday morning and be ready for the 7am start of the bicycle charity event. Then spend all day on Casper (White 04 Gold Wing) patrolling the routes, assisting with broken bicycle chains, tire repair and etc. Then when the last bicycle is in, load up about 400 to 500 Lbs of ham radio gear, towers, canopies, chairs and etc and head for home. Once home we have to unload everything. Makes for a very long hard day for all of our volunteers. The San Diego Tour de Cure is a one day event.

Sunday April 28th, is the **Ship to Shore**, again for the **American Diabetes Assoc.** one of the most fun charity events of the year that we volunteer for. It starts from the Queen Mary in Long Beach and it is the only day of the year that bicyclists are allowed to ride over the very long and high Vincent Thomas Bridge that spans much of the harbor. The City of Long Beach, the City of Los Angeles and San Pedro all help coordinate this very well attended bicycle charity event, so it is always very well supported by locals. Bicyclists come great distances to partake in this once a year event. Here again we need all the MARC motorcycles we can muster and more radio operators for the SAG and at net control.

Saturday & Sunday May 4th & 5th is the **2 day Orange County Tour de OC**. This 2 day event starts in Orange CO. and ends Sunday afternoon at Mission Bay in



San Diego. It will over night, Sat. night, in Carlsbad By The Sea. More information at the April MARC meeting.

Saturday May 11th is our **annual MARC Anniversary Meeting**. This meeting marks the **21st year of our MARC club existence**. The special raffle prizes were voted on at the March meeting and will be confirmed at the April meeting or changed to meet our memberships wishes, if our MARC treasury can afford it.

Ray's personal news, if you are not interested in what is going on with Ray, then just delete it. No harm, no foul. :-
) **March, 13th**, had skin cancer surgery on the left side of face. All gone now and doing fine.

April 1st, yes, April fools day, marked the 53rd anniversary that I was hired on to the Inglewood Fire Dept. They were not fooled. Celebrated with a White Russian cocktail and a bag of 100 calorie popcorn. Yea
As of today, Wed. April 3rd, 2013, I have put on 940 miles on the bicycle since 10-10-2012. Now up to 10 miles a day 5 days a week. Then Mon, Wed & Friday lifting weights for one to 1 1/2 hours a day. Yeh, I am a little tired at the end of the day, but I feel really, really good and am having the time of my life.

Sunday April 7th, marks the date I retired from the Inglewood Fire Dept in 1991. Been retired for 22 years, how time flies when your having fun.

Sunday April 14th, leaving for Pahrump NV for the **4 Day Defensive Handgun course**, at **Front Sight** for Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday April 15th thru April 18th. It is the same course we (6 of us) took last April and 3 or 4 of us are taking again this April. It's 4 days of intense handgun shooting instructions. For the month prior to leaving for Front Sight we are shooting 100 rounds twice a week in preparation for Front Sight. I also took this class in Oct. 2012, it is just a lot of fun. They are expecting about 1100 hand gunners for the course this year. Last year there was 700 there when we took the same course. But you don't see them as they are spread down the line of about 18 to 20 ranges and you can't see the people in the other ranges next to yours as there are 10 foot high dirt berms around each range.

God Bless everyone and stay safe out there.
Ray Davis KD6FHN <raykd6fhn@earthlink.net>
MARC Chairman Of The Board
Cell (949-300-9669) <"<http://www.marc-hq.org/>" >

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Life is like a bowl of Ice Cream, enjoy it before it melts...



## MINNESOTA RIDING

**Spring** is finally coming to the land where snow has blanketed the ground these past 3 months. I have ridden every month so far but yesterday I decided to take the bike up to the mall where the retired people walk. I of course am still unemployed and looking for work but enjoy the walking with all these friends. Pulled the bike out on the driveway and tried to put this laser toner cartridge into the saddle bag.. SNAP! The saddle bag cover is laying n the ground. "OK" I said. Took the saddle bag off as well as the other side. Put the used toner cartridge in the trunk. Plugged the vest into the power and flipped the handle bar grips on high. Air temperature is 28 degrees. Ice is still around in the alley or along the curbs. Ahh the great speed of these motorcycles!

**Late** to the mall so I parked the Black bike by the cars of my friends, enter the mall and remove the gear and lay it on the bench. Yep, nobody messes with coats or jackets. Walking around until I see Jim.

"Oh there you are, Tim!" Walked in Step with Jim and Bob. Passing a few err aged persons and talked of our plans for the day.

"What are you doing today, Tim?" Bob asks.

"Not sure yet."

The mall has this map and IF one would hug the outside hallway by the stores and do all the long halls off the mains.. claimed length is .94 of a mile. We don't go all the way to the doors as they open and cold currents of air stream in. We do 3 or 4 loops. Maybe 2.5 miles.

Came back to the coats.. Jim is talking and looks.."Why you must have ridden your Motorcycle!" I nod. Simple if one has riding gear on then the answer must be motorcycle.

"I suppose your going to beat us to McDonald's this morning!" Bob laughs as he opens the door on his Ford pickup.

"Nope. I have to put all this gear on and you will be half way there!"

"Is that right?" I watched him and Jim go in their cars and finally got the stich on.

"About time for you to get here, Tim!" I nod.

John came in. He is now working at Menards. A box store like Home Depot or Lowe's but is from Wisconsin. Works from 5am to 9am stocking shelves.

"I hear that your done with your book, Tim!" I sip my Coke.. err now its a senior coke. 30 cents less!

"Yep, looking for a publisher or maybe do it myself."

John nods as he eats his yogurt. "How many pages?"

"86 pages and over 52,000 words. I need to get it to John Cedar so he can proof read it."

"We can find some kind of E publisher, Tim" Bob says. "NO need to get locked in with some company."

"Well I have to go to Monticello today and buy new hinges for my saddle bag." I look at John who rides a Road Warrior.. he is grinning... "Forcing yourself to go up there, Tim?"

"Yah, some days are really hard."

Dave calls me after I get home. "I have your motorcycle magazines. Would like to get them back to you."

I am trying to get Dave to see that BMW is the way to ride, and using the BMW owners news to prove that point...

Headed for his home. Dave works as a Full time Seasonal worker for St. Paul's golf courses. Gets his winters off and this year they haven't called him back in March.

He followed me the 40 miles to Monticello and we looked at the brands that they sell. Purchased my plastic hinges. Found Dave, "You know if your going to buy a brand new bike... pick this one." Handed him the info on the BMW 6 banger.. "The least I can do is give you new ear plugs due to what your wife will say."

David laughed. "That bike one would have to be riding all the time!"

Yep Spring is here! Oh the book.. you might like to know about that? I did tell Bonnie what I was doing.

**Subject** is of course Motorcycling. The main subject is the Black BMW and adding 100,000 miles on it in 5 years. Then all the stories from the MARC newsletters to some stuff I didn't put in the newsletter.

Done with the first writing this past week. I still have a few stories to add. Then finding out how to put it on the web for anyone to read.

I have been on the MARC website as most of the paper newsletters are gone around here.

take care! Yup.. I was thinking I would have to rent a big space in the newsletter for information.

73

tim lindstrom, ab0ts

1995 BMW k1100RS 128,300+ going for 200K  
Columbia Heights, MN

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### MARC" CALENDAR FOR 2013

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| APR  | 13 <sup>TH</sup>                 | BREAKFAST MEETING                   |
| Apr  | 20 <sup>th</sup>                 | SAN DIEGO TOUR                      |
| Apr  | 28 <sup>th</sup>                 | SHIP TO SHORE TOUR                  |
| May  | 4 <sup>th</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> | TOUR DE OC                          |
| May  | 11 <sup>th</sup>                 | 21 <sup>st</sup> ANNIVERSARY "MARC" |
| JUN  | 8 <sup>TH</sup>                  | BREAKFAST MEETING                   |
| JUL  |                                  | NO MEETING                          |
| AUG  | 10 <sup>TH</sup>                 | BREAKFAST MEETING                   |
| SEPT | 7 <sup>TH</sup>                  | BREAKFAST MEETING                   |
| SEPT | 14 <sup>TH</sup>                 | SANTA BARBARA TOUR                  |
| OCT  | 12 <sup>TH</sup>                 | BREAKFAST MEETING                   |
| OCT  | 26,27                            | SANTA BARBARA TOUR                  |
| NOV  | 9 <sup>TH</sup>                  | BREAKFAST MEETING                   |
| DEC  | 14 <sup>th</sup>                 | CHRISTMAS PARTY                     |

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The first cell phone call made 40 years ago on 4/3/1973 by Martin Cooper on W 54th St in New York- yes it was a huge thing...Cost \$4000

FROM YOUR '50/50' LADY  
MIJO REYNOLDS KF6BEB  
<mijokf6beb@roadrunner.com>

**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 # 35 Kyle AF6YK  
Winners receive \$5 of 50/50 tickets.

**50/50:**  
The March Easter Bunny gave \$32 each to Andy W6AJB,  
Alvin KD6UZZM & Billy N6EDY but no eggs in their baskets..

**\$25 Gift certificate from Huntington Honda won by**  
Scott K6IXQ  
**Lido Cup Mount donated by Comet won by Burt N6USO**

**"MARC" door prize donations:**  
One year subscription to "MARC" won by Mike N6QZT  
iCharge all won by Scott K6IXQ  
pop-up Easter Egg hunt basket won by Keara Gallagher  
Happy Spring Peanut Butter bark won by John W5JFR  
For men(Fast funnel, nozzle buddy, extreme velcro, Goo  
gone, lysol spray, Frog & Easter Bunny won by Harry  
KF6ZQM

Computer paper won by Billy N6EDY  
Coffee coaster set won by Andy W6AJB  
For the Ladies(cell phone chair, shower gel, hand soap &  
Easter Bunny) won by Scott K6IXQ

**Thank you to the following for your donations:**  
Billy Hall, John & Mijo Reynolds, Jeff Gallagher, Chuck  
KG6NJP, Chris & Kile Nightingale & Ray & Bonnie Davis

**Gray ticket distributor: John W5JFR**  
**Gray ticket winner: Krista**

**Thanks to Alvin & Chris AF6ZC for helping Mijo with the  
tickets...so much appreciated...**

**SECRETARY/Treasurer/NewsLetter Editor/Info:**  
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**NEW MEMBERS: Please Welcome:**  
No New members for March but a re-up from one of the  
first MARC members Jim Rodrigues KC6OAU  
Welcome back Jim waiting to see you at a meeting(:))ss

**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 April  
meeting Check page 2 for the dates of each event and  
their starting points.

**NEWSLETTER:**  
Thanks to those who contributed to the April newsletter....  
I know some of you soon will be rambling over the hills &  
dales and I sure would like an article on your trip....

### **SUNSHINE CORNER:::**

Please keep Billy KF6WBV & Connie KF6YOM, Billy is  
starting to walk without the cane and he sounds a lot better.  
Connie is talking a lot more and only has a feeding tube due  
the broken jaw. Billy is waiting for his one son who is going  
to Billy's today with another report on Connie.  
They are still hoping to bring her home to Utah...

Mike KE6KWQ is a Silent Key and at Peace & without  
pain. Mark KE6ZRP presented a wonderful Eulogy for  
Mike...

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...**

**Special prizes for the 21st**  
**"MARC" Anniversary:**

If you are going to donate something for the  
Anniversary drawing those prizes have to be  
worth \$20.  
We will have a regular door prize table also..

We will have a Kenwood D710A (not bought yet)  
A Battery Tender

For the ladies we will have a Bradford Exchange  
Butterfly wall bracket with 6 butterfly candle holders &  
candles called "Wings of Joy".

**You deserve a lift:::**  
1. List your good points  
2. List your great points  
3. Repeat steps 1 & 2 every day..  
(Debbie Palmer)

**VERY IMPORTANT POSITIONS FILLED BY  
WONDERFUL MEMBERS of MARC:**

**Public Relations:** Billy Hall N6EDY  
**Disaster & E-Mail Coordinator:** De Witt Morgan KM6UK

**MS 150K Coordinators** Andy Bocker W6AJB  
Chris Owens KB6MYR  
(In the background) John Edwards KC6ZOZ

**TOUR DE OC For Abused Children Coordinator:**

Scott Farthing K6IXQ  
**Love Ride Coordinators:** Bill Douglas K6WBD  
John Reynolds W5JFR  
Mark Kanzler KE6ZRP

**Surf to Summit Tour de Cure:** Mike Naron N6QZT  
Bonnie Davis KD6OFQ

**Ship to Shore Tour de Cure Coordinators:**

Mark Kanzler KE6ZRP  
John Beckwith N6JCB  
Bonnie Davis KD6OFQ

**San Diego Tour de Cure Coordinator:**

Jim Banks KD6REA  
Bonnie Davis KD6OFQ

**Biker's Against Diabetes:** Billy Hall N6EDY  
Charles Robles KF6TXI  
Victorville Mike Naron N6QZT  
Pomona Bill Douglas K6WBD  
Los Angeles John Beckwith N6JCB

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Pat Lewis KD6SBZ (Past 50/50 Lady)  
Drew Pushie VE6HGW (Past Web Master)  
Wayne Barringer WB6UJW (Past Web Master)  
Paul Plasters K9PEP (IL/WI MARC Chapter)

**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  
February 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..

**"MARC" ADVERTISING YEARLY FEES:**

**Business card size:** \$15  
**Quarter page** \$40  
**Half page** \$80  
**Full Page (8 1/2 x 11)** \$175  
Advertising for our "MARC" members is free.....

**For Sale::**

1989 GL1500 Gold 70k miles. Great condition – hardly a  
scratch . Only owner and all receipts. Comp-u-Fire  
Alternator, Fork Brace, Yaesu Ham Radio (If Desired),  
Garmin 550, Hitch, "Back Off", extra running lights, Cee  
Bailey Windshield with NACA vent. 2nd Cee Bailey  
Windshield (NIB), Air Horns, Much More.

**John jbeckwit@lmu.edu, (310) 641-5483, Los Angeles**

**APRIL:: National Poetry Month**

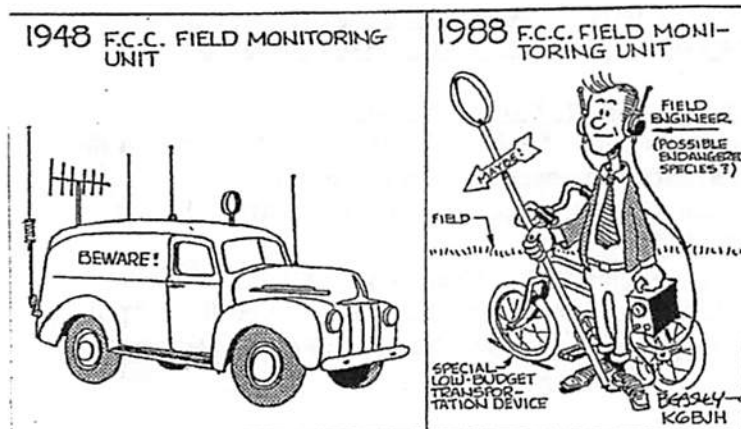
**Birthstone: Diamond**

**Flower: Daisy or Sweet Pea**

**Colour: Pink/Purple**

**Meaning: Blissful, Curious, Delicate, Departure,  
Lasting Pleasures, Plaful & Tenacious**

"Now that the winter's gone, the earth hath lost  
Her snow-white robes, and now no more the frost  
Candies the grass, or casts an icy cream  
Upon the silver lake or crystal stream;  
But the warm sun thaws the benumbed earth,  
And makes it tender; gives a sacred birth  
To the dead swallow; wakes in hollow tree  
The drowsy cuckoo and the humble-bee.  
Now do a choir of chirping minstrels bring  
In triumph to the world the youthful spring."  
- Thomas Carew, *The Spring*, 1630



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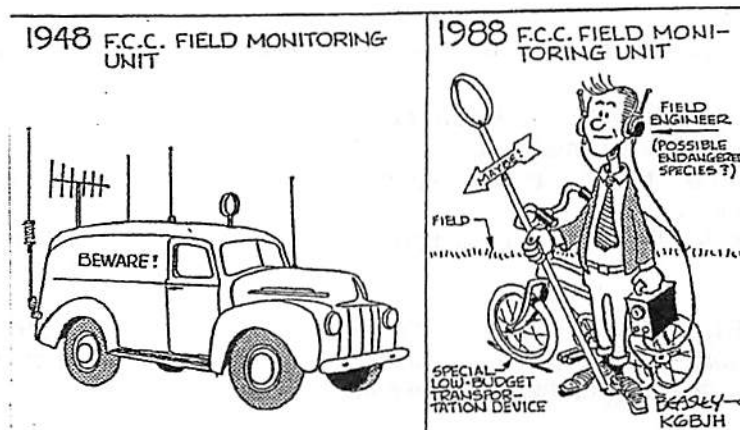
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Now do a choir of chirping minstrels bring  
In triumph to the world the youthful spring."  
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## MOTORCYCLE BRACKETS

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

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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](mailto: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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**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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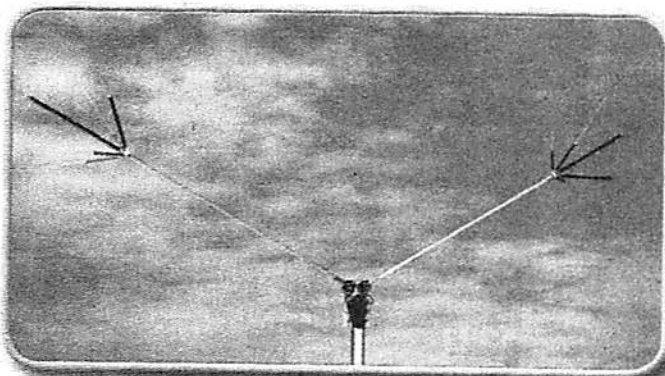
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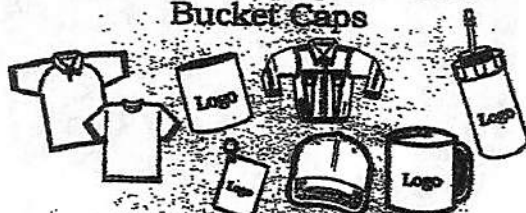
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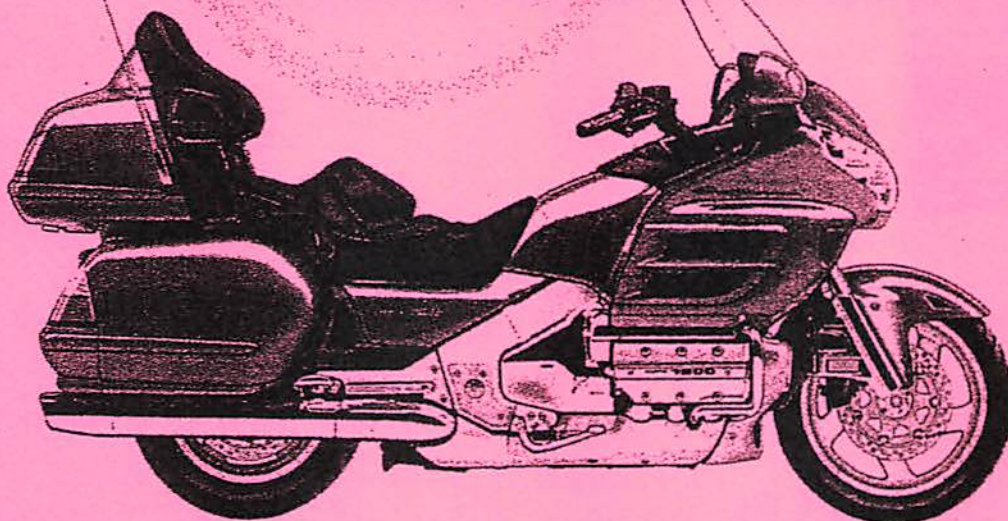


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14- FLAG DAY  
16- FATHER'S DAY (REMEMBER TO TREAT & SPEND THE DAY WITH YOUR FATHER)  
21- FIRST DAY OF SUMMER

**July NO MEETING**

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