



K-Krow's Roost



CA2K Wind Wings

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Nick & Kim Odell
Chapter Directors

My fine feathered friends,

As usual, I was nominated, and, won the coveted wingnut. For some reason, CA2N thought I should have it again. I called their shirts "Yellow" as opposed to Gold. One thing you don't want to do, is tell CA2N they wear yellow shirts. Well, as most of you know, Kim and I are winding down our tour as Chapter Directors of CA2K. I want to tell each and every one of you, it has been a pleasure working with all of you. Steve and Karen will be assuming the duties as CA2K Chapter Directors as of Jan 1, 2012. Please welcome them with warm hearts. Kim and I have enjoyed our tenure and wanted to let all of you know, it has been a blast. We will

still be participating in some way shape or form. Steve and Karen will do a great job, and I can see it in their eyes, they are ready. Don't forget our Christmas party is coming up December 10. So, with that said, think about what you want to eat. I think it will be great dinner and wonderful time. We seem to have a blast at each and every Christmas party. I think that Kay Kennedy will be hosting the gift exchange. Remember, to bring a nice gift, probably valued at around \$10.00 to \$15.00. Bring something you would like to take home. Oh, don't bring any sex related gifts. We will be holding our drawing for those who registered for District Rally. If you all remember, I said we will have a drawing for all of our chapter members who registered for District Rally. I received a list from Donna, so we will have the drawing at our Oct meeting. Good luck. Well, with all that said, see you at our next function.

Kim and Nick



California District Southwest Region F, DD Review

Well, we survived the 2011 District Convention, and I must say I really had a great time. What better way to spend a vacation than being surrounded by 400 of our closest friends? Throw in some wonderful rides, beautiful sights, Ice Cream, and a light parade, and it just doesn't get any better than that.

Bill & Rene Johnson

As most of you know, my favorite charity is the Blue Star Mom's (BSM). These are the mothers, wives, and families members of our troops that are serving our country overseas. They collect items to remind our Troops know that they are not forgotten. You have no idea how nice a clean pair of socks can feel when you're out in the field for several weeks at a time. Well, as with last year, we held an auction at the District Convention, and raised over \$1,400 dollars for the BSM. I am always awestruck with our member's generosity.

Well, with the Convention over, before we start to relax in our favorite easy chairs, we realize that we still have several Chapter Rally's remaining this year. This past weekend, we attended CA-2N's "Party at the Barn" I must say, "the fox is afoot", or should I say, "The Mascot Game is afoot. It was fun to see a dozen Mascots' in attendance to kick off this year's District Game, "Shoot the Mascot". The instructions are simple, just show up to any GWRRA event with your Mascot, and have its picture taken with as many other mascots as possible. If a chapter forgets their Mascot, their CD must stand in to be shot (squirt guns are encouraged). The more Mascots at an event, the more points everyone gets. The only ones that don't collect any points are the Hosting Chapter. This is intended to encourage everyone to get out and visit your buddies across town.

I'll keep this article short this month, but please watch for a complete Convention wrap up in our October edition of California Wing'in that can be found on the District Web page at: <http://www.gwr-ra-ca.org/newsletter/newsletter.html>.

Until next time, "Hang on - we're going for a ride".

Bill & Rene Johnson
GWRRA California District Directors



Steve & Karen Palatino
Assistant Chapter Directors

Hard Habit to Break

Ride like your invisible... Steve and Karen

Well, we can now officially say a good time was had by all at the District Convention at Mammoth Lakes. Opening ceremonies on Friday was fun (even when Mr. Bill had foot-in-mouth, but we'll discuss that at the next chapter meeting). And then we were honored to be a part of another ceremony... the wedding of Terry and Nora Stowe. (Ignore the story about the two guys dancing on the stage afterward). And the reception party at the Lak-a-nuki (you should have seen the wolf man dancing with the bride!).

The training sessions were very valuable with several 2K graduates in the TRC and ARC. We would have had one more graduate, but Mo found a nail in his rear tire Saturday morning. The Honda dealer 40 miles south of us in Bishop had several tires on hand and were waiting for Mo's bike to arrive as soon as they heard. The ice cream social hosted by the resort was good. For a few people who couldn't have ice cream, the staff immediately went out and acquired some sorbet for them. On Sunday afternoon was the Amazing Team Challenge which for the first time had four members from CA2K participate (think of the team challenge as a PLP on steroids).

The rooms were great and the local shops and restaurants were friendly and helpful, with discounts just about everywhere. They even provided great riding weather.

At the DD/CD round table meeting it was discussed about where's the best place in the state of California to hold a convention for 300+ people. Most everybody agreed, Mammoth went out of their way to accommodate us.

And this is just what Karen and I experienced there. There are so many things to do, places to go, people to see...Next year, try your best to attend. You won't regret it.

On the 17th of September a murder of Krows converged in Long Barn for the CA2N rally and we won the coveted trophy for the most attended/registered. Let's see what we can do at CAC's rally on October 1st!

Steve & Karen Palatino

Choosing a wife

Mo wanted to get married. He was having trouble choosing among three likely candidates. He gives each woman a present of \$5,000 and watches to see what they will do with the money.

The first does a total makeover. She goes to a fancy beauty salon, gets her hair done, new makeup; buys several new outfits and dresses up very nicely for the man. She tells him that she has done this to be more attractive for him because she loves him so much.

Mo was impressed.

The second goes shopping to buy Mo gifts. She gets him a new set of golf clubs, some new gizmos for his computer, and some expensive clothes. As she presents these gifts, she tells him that she has spent all the money on him because she loves him so much..

Again, Mo is impressed.

The third invests the money in the stock market. She earns several times the \$5,000. She gives him back his \$5,000 and reinvests the remainder in a joint account. She tells him that she wants to save for their future because she loves him so much.

Obviously, Mo was impressed.

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Jeff Taylor
Chapter Educator

TOPIC: "BE PREPARED"

For the record; yes, I was a Boy Scout and I've taken their motto to heart. Being prepared is particularly important to us as riders/co-riders. What do I mean by being prepared?

First, is your motorcycle prepared? Tires properly inflated and with sufficient tread? Brakes in good working order? How 'bout the lights? Brake lights? Turn signals? All these are critical to the safe operation of the motorcycle.

Next, how about you? Are you well rested? Do you have the right frame of mind or is something weighing on you? Are you taking any medications that might make you drowsy? Haven't been drinking, have you? Riding requires your FULL attention so anything that diminishes your ability to pay attention to the task limits your ability to safely operate your bike/trike.

Then there's your emergency skills. When is the last time that you PRACTICED emergency maneuvers? You know, things like swerving to avoid an obstacle in your path of travel. Emergency stopping, practiced that lately? In about 13% of motorcycle crashes, the rider made NO attempt to avoid the crash; no swerving, no braking, just rode right into the collision. Unfortunately, most riders NEVER practice emergency maneuvers.

Do you consciously practice your other riding skills? You know, things like your scanning for hazards, looking through turns, covering your controls as you approach congested areas, positioning yourself so you are as visible as possible, etc. While all these things (and more) should be "second nature" focusing on them while you're riding reinforces the action.

Yep! The ol' Boy Scout motto, "Be Prepared." How prepared are you?

Ride Smart & Be Safe!

Paul was sitting in his boat the other day when he heard a voice say, 'Pick me up.' He looked around and couldn't see anyone. He thought he was dreaming when he heard the voice again say, 'Pick me up.' He looked in the water, and there, floating on the water, was a frog. Paul said, 'Are you talking to me?' The frog said, 'Yes, I'm talking to you. Pick me up, kiss me, and I'll turn into the most beautiful woman you've ever seen. I'll make sure that all your friends are envious and jealous because I will be your bride!' Paul looked at the frog, reached over, picked it up carefully, and placed it in his front pocket.

The frog said, 'What, are you nuts? Didn't you hear what I said? I said kiss me, and I'll be your beautiful bride.'

Paul opened his pocket, looked at the frog and said, 'At my age I'd rather have a talking frog.'



Terry & Nora
Tour Directors



the rain someday and it would be nice if you were confident in your bikes abilities.)

Back to the ride, there was only one group of two riders. So we decided

to change the destination and ride to Occidental for a light lunch. After lunch we thought we would check out Canopy Tours, which is just a couple miles down the road past Camp Meeker. There was a group just starting and we were lucky enough to join them. Perhaps if there is enough interest we could do this again.

Next month's ride states: Cloverdale Railroad, Jeff Taylor. I'm not sure what that means. Perhaps its a cliff hanger of sorts.

After Chapter Rides

Dates and Destinations are subject to change.
Check the Chapter website for updated information.

Ziping with 80/20

If you missed last months after chapter ride you missed a really good time. It started off a little slow as hardly anyone wanted to chance riding in the rain. (While I'm thinking about it, I think it would be a good idea to have a winter PLP in the rain. A surprising number of riders don't want or wont ride in the rain. Riding in the rain isn't my first choice but it isn't nearly as bad as some people think it is. If you ride enough you will get caught in





Chapter Meeting Attendance Drawing

Jeff Taylor's name was drawn at last month's meeting, earning him \$40. (adding insult to injury he also won \$52 in the 50/25/25) Jeff's name went back in the pot for the October drawing, which will start at \$10 again. To recap: Each month one name will be drawn from all of CA2K's official members, approximately 150, if said person is in attendance, it will receive the current amount.

Mo thought for a long time about what each woman had done with the money he'd given them... Then he married the one with the biggest boobs. (Editor's note: The preceding story is fictional and not meant to represent any previous or current CA@K member. Besides, Mo isn't his real name anyway.)



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Happy Anniversary

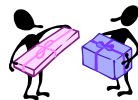
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Send Newsletter items in early as we try to get it out close to the first. Thanks 80/20 geosieg@hotmail.com

A very special THANK YOU



To everyone who donates items to the Chapter for our monthly Door Prize Pool and those who continue to buy the 50/25/25 tickets.

Good luck to all.



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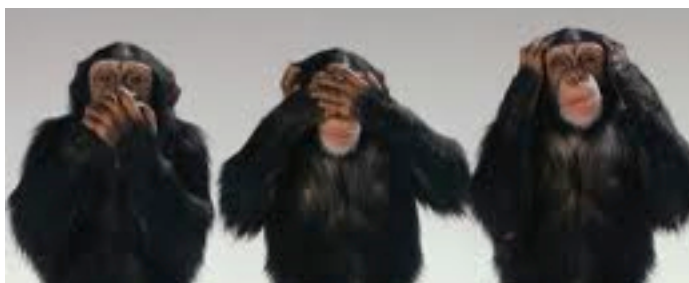
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Wing Nut

This month's award was given to Mr. Nick for calling CA2N's colors "Yellow" instead of Gold. Actually he was nominated for several other reasons as well. None of which were very note worthy. "Didn't you have a get out of jail free card? Oh, that's right you thought that was a bad idea." And once again history repeats itself. Nick's contact information is: 510 715-7692 nicklofrll@comcast.net

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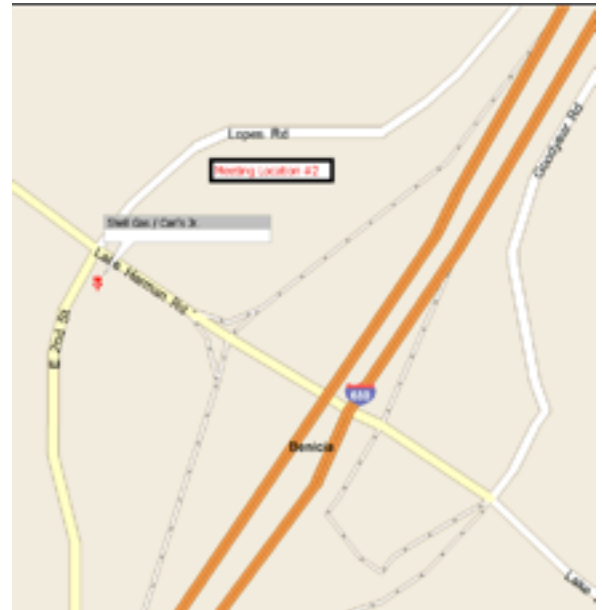
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Ride Meeting Locations

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North end of Raley's parking lot
in front of Century 21 Realty



2 Shell / Carl's Jr. North side
of the freeway on Lake Herman Rd.



3 Kidwell Rd. East Bound on ramp



4 Rio Vista, CA Corner of
Hwy 12 & Virginia Way
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When showing up for any group ride please be courteous to the other members and be prepared to depart on time. That means being early enough to fill your gas tank if it isn't already full and receive any last minute updates; Wearing proper riding attire for the weather so you don't have to stop to take your clothing off or put more on after a few minutes. (I may have to rethink the part regarding taking clothing off.) And most important, bring a nice surprise for George.