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September 2010

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK:

It's time to ride for charity again. The MS150 for Southern California will be upon us soon. I ask you to plan ahead. October 16 & 17, 2010 is the date. Please let us know if you can help with either, Saturday or Sunday, perhaps both days. The MS will even comp. a few rooms at the half way point for MARC members who are working both Saturday and Sunday. If you can only volunteer to help one day or even part of a day, that is OK. John, KC6ZOZ, and Andy, W6AJB, will fit you in. As usual, we need help motorcycle mobile, with Support & Gear vehicles, and of course at Net Control.

I was able to make it down to the OC, and Huntington Honda (H&H) on the 28th of August. It was a very pleasant day for a ride, even a bit cool, and I enjoyed the morning with friends. Too bad that there was some bad news. On Friday morning, Kevin, KI6SUJ, had a go down on his way to work. It would seem that someone had dumped several gallons of used cooking oil in the left turn lane that he was approaching. In the early morning light (dark), it appeared to be wet, water perhaps? As Kevin entered the lane to make his turn, it was as if he was on black ice. The Goldwing went down on the left side and slid through the intersection. The wing sustained some damage as the blacktop ground away metal and plastic, but no major structural damage. Kevin is OK, but with a few "OWIES" on his arms from rolling in the street. He was able to upright the wing (with some help) and finish his ride to work where he reported in and then went to the hospital for treatment of his road rash. After leaving the hospital, he returned to the scene of the "crime" to find that Caltrans and the CHP were there. They had secured the intersection and called for a Hazmat team to clean up the mess. The moral of this is that you always have to be prepared and never assume that things are as they seem. The good thing is that Kevin was not seriously injured and that his wing is repairable.

Don't forget the MARC meeting, September 11th at the Home Town Buffet on

17th Street in Santa Anna. Julian Dillon from the American Diabetes Assn. will be a special guest at this meeting. As usual, we will have a large batch of door prizes and an outstanding 50-50 that you might win. Ray, KD6FHN, and John, KC6ZOZ, will be there with tales from the Three Flags ride and Billy, KF6WBV, will let us know how his ride to Salt Lake City went on the 750 Honda Shadow. It looks like we will have a good meeting so please join us on the 11th of September. What about the MARC Net? Did you check in? Mijo would like to give you \$10.00 worth of 50-50 tickets at the meeting. Just listen to the MARC net and check in each week. If your number is drawn from the canister and you answer on the net, you are a winner. It is that easy.

Now I must remind you all that this year's Christmas party will be on December 11th at the Citrus Café. This is at the intersection of Red Hill and Edinger near the 405 and 55 freeways. This will be an evening meeting. Formal wear is not required, but I would like to see everyone looking rather spiffy for pictures. Stay tuned for the exact cost and menu. Thank You.

This past month, Mijo and I have been entertained by a pair of masons that we hired to construct two small walls to form a planter in front of the house. They run from the fence in the north-west corner of the yard to the street, 53 feet long and about 4 feet apart. I also had the masons put in a four inch wide curb along the grass side of the inside wall so it would be easier to mow and trim. Now we have to clean the dirt in the new planter and decide what we will be growing there for ground cover. We have also been busy with vegetables from the garden. We enjoy the fresh tomatoes and okra. I have made several pints of tomato sauce and put them up in the freezer for later. It always tastes better when it is home made and you know what is in it. The freezer is also well stocked with squash and beans that Mijo and I put away for the winter.

Please remember to fly our flag on 9-11.

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"MARC" CALENDAR

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)**

SEPT	1	FOR SEPTEMBER
SEPT	29	FOR OCTOBER
NOV	3	FOR NOVEMBER
DEC	1	FOR DECEMBER
DEC	29	FOR JANUARY 2011

OFFICIAL 2010 FLAG-FLYING DAYS

January 1.....New Year's Day
 January 18.....Martin Luther King, Jr Day
 February 12.....Lincoln's birthday
 February 15.....President's Day
 February 22.....Washington's Birthday
 May 9.....Mother's Day
 May 15.....Armed Forces Day
 May 31.....Memorial Day
 June 14.....Flag Day
 June 20.....Father4's Day
 July 4.....Independence day
 September.....Labor Day
 September 11.....Patriot Day
 October 11.....Columbus Day
 November 2..... Election Day
 November 11.....Veteran's Day
 November 25.....Thanksgiving Day
 December 7.....Pearl Harbor Day
 December 25.....Christmas day

Just a note regarding the meetings:

We are all guilty of talking during the meetings-some voices carry more than others, then with the in & out for breakfast it is quite disruptive, please if you have to talk **whisper**, with the set-up I don't even get to hug everyone + Mijo & I have to eat breakfast Thank you -- Bonnie KD6OFQ

From your Orange County MS 150 Coordinators

As I write this article The MS 150 bay to bay tour is only a little more than a month away. I hope you plan on signing up and are ready to ride. We could use as many motors and Sag support people as possible, so if you are available get in touch with Bonnie, Andy or I and we'll get you signed up.

At the last meeting on Aug 18 each of the Subcommittee Chairs gave a report on how things were going. A list of the bicycle shops in Orange and San Diego county was passed around so the committee members could sign up to check and make sure that they have the signage for the MS ride displayed in the shops. I am still waiting for the route information but I think the routes are about the same as last year.

Registration for the 2010 MS 150 Bay-to-Bay Bike Tour has increase in rider capacity registration is up almost 10 percent from this time last year. There is great increase in teams up 15 from last year.

The people at the MS office tell me that they are planning to have a lot of additional help on the course besides the plan to have a few more bicycle EMTs they are requesting Route Marshals from the registered ride.

I also think that the city of Laguna Beach is again going to close the street parking from the main beach area south to the top of the first hill and the road work is all done. This should make it a little safer through that area. The MS is again planning to keep the route through San Clemente, they will use the bike route through residential area instead of using Coast Hwy. Bottom line is with all these rides we are trying to make this the safest ride possible. This is an extremely exciting step in the Tour's 28-year history and in the larger mission to fight the devastating effects of multiple sclerosis. *This is a tremendous testament to the dedication and strength of our riders, Team Captains, sponsors, volunteers and supporters.*

I would like to thank everyone in advance for coming out to help with this very worthwhile event. The bike riders love having us there watching over them during this ride. And the Multiple Sclerosis Southern CA chapter cannot express enough how much they appreciate the MARC group being there to help.

John KC6ZOZ kc6zozjohn@yahoo.com
Andy W6AJB a.j.bocker@verizon.net

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**SHIP TO SHORE TOUR MAY 1, 2011**

**First I want to thank Dennis KF5FFJ & Charles KF6TXI** for attending the **Tour 2011 committee mixer**. We had 20 attendees, split pretty much evenly between new members, curious to know more and those returning from 2010, and/or 2009 and beyond. Thank you to everyone for sharing your stories and for taking the time on a busy week night to listen.

Diabetes is very heavy in the Black & Latino communities, so we have new committee members in that area now which I (Bonnie) was happy to see.

Denver has a committee of 50 and that's how they get to \$800,000.

All future committee meetings take place on the first

Tuesday of every month. So with this in mind, our next meeting will be on Tuesday October 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30, place TBC.

Per Julian they have 63 riders signed, 16 teams and are closing in on our first thousand in funds raised.

Registrations by visiting [diabetes.org/tour-shiptoshore](http://diabetes.org/tour-shiptoshore),

**Julian Dillon of the American Diabetes Association will be at our September 11th meeting...Here is a little information regarding Julian:**

I have been the manager of the Tour de Cure in the Los Angeles area since February 2008. In 2009 I introduced the new Long Beach ride featuring the Gerald Desmond and Vincent Thomas Bridges, which has doubled the size of the ride in two years. In 2010 we made \$490,000 to help Stop Diabetes. All of us at The American Diabetes Association continue to be in awe of the incredible support we receive from MARC and look forward to working with the membership of MARC to help ensure a safe and enjoyable 100 mile ride on May 1, 2011.

**Julian Dillon**

**Manager, Tour de Cure Ship to Shore**

**American Diabetes Association**

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**Los Angeles, CA 90045**

**323 966 2890 X 7473**

**[www.diabetes.org/tour-shiptoshore](http://www.diabetes.org/tour-shiptoshore)**

**By the way there will be a 100, 60, 30 & 11 miler routes this year. They are expecting 1200+ riders. last year we had 1000+**

**Bonnie Davis KD6OFQ**

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TOUR DE PALM SPRINGS BIKE EXPO

Visit the many bike-related apparel and equipment booths at the Tour de Palm Springs Expo

Friday, February 11, 2011

12:00 pm to 10:00 pm

Saturday, February 12, 2011

7:00 am to 6:00 pm

All events are located at: Spa Resort Casino Parking Lot F 400 Block of North Indian Canyon

Wrist bands required in order to enter SAG stops for food, water and bike support.

Routes 100 miler starts a 7 AM

55 miler at 8 AM, 25 miler at 9 AM, 10, 5 milers at 9:30AM

I needed filler so went to their page. Bonnie KD6OFQ

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

Draw for 8/4 on 8/11 was # 8 Kevin KI6SUJ winner (PD)
Draw for 8/11 on 8/18 was #7 Mel KD6MPB N/A
Draw for 8/18 on 8/25 was # 3 John KC6ZOZ winner
Draw for 8/25 on 9/1 was # 6 Alvin KD6UZM winner

Visitors:

EB: K2QGT Tom, KC6ZSH ShEron, N6QZT Mike, KF6TPH David, KF6BEB Mijo KF6TXI Charles, KI6LXQ Scott, KJ6JJD Liz, KC6ZOZ John, KD6FHN Ray.

Echolink: KI6TYH Harold (CA),KJ4BLC Carl (GA) KG6JOA Brian, W6AJB Andy, KE6ZRP Mark

50/50:

August winners of two each won \$49 Mike N6QZT & Charles KF6TXI-

\$25 gift certificate donated by Huntington Honda won by Charles KF6TXI

Hatch-up or trunk antenna mount donated by Comet(NCG) --

Items donated by "MARC"

Magnet dartboard won by Billy N6EDY

Key Rack won by Harold KI6TYH

8 PC ball point hex key set won by Charles KF6TXI

15 tools in one won by Joseph KE6UPB

Elegant wood coasters won by Harold KI6TYH

Macy wallet won by Kevin KI6SUJ

Garden markers & fruit gems won by Harold KI6TYH

Friends trio candle set won by Harold KI6TYH?

Helmet quick release won by John KC6ZOZ

Back to school Back pack+ supplies won by John KC6ZOZ

Multi-paper won by John W5JFR

A big "THANK YOU" to each who donated items:

Dennis Ingersoll, Mike Naron, John & Mijo Reynolds, Kevin Wilson, Harold Hilbert, Dewitt Morgan,, Ray & Bonnie Davis

Gray ticket distributor - John W5JFR

Gray ticket winner- Bill KA6HMS

How many gray ticket s drawn- 1

Ticket Drawer- Mijo

Ticket dissectors- Teri KF6HJT, Ray KD6FHN & Scott KI6IXQ

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NEW MEMBERS:

Please welcome;

Robert K7RWJ & Sharlyn Jacobs of Portland OR

MEETING:

Sign-up sheets for the MS 150 were passed around, and will be at the next 2 meetings....we need sag vehicles who have bicycle racks or can use a rack on the back and room for passengers...plus motors & more motors. Please be sure and check the sheets this time and

check each column that pertains to you...some missed doing so and we need to know this info

NEWSLETTER:

Thanking each for your articles- well we are having a small newsletter for September...**SUNSHINE CORNER:::**

Continuous love and prayers for Bob N6HOJ still maintaining, **Kevin KI6SUJ** for his slide in the 150 ft of household grease dumped at a heavily traveled intersection, bruising his steed and burning his arms along with bruising to the whole bod...

Gayle KF6JTT (AZ) who was recuperating from a broken hip a month ago then falling and breaking the same leg, she is doing okay per Sue **KF6HZJ.. Brian KG6JOA** is still rehabing but with pain in leg not going away...

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...as we care.

**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**

COORDINATING AN EVENT:::

If you are a coordinator for an event your responsibilities are::

Attend meetings for the event(doesn't have to be every one of them) just to keep in touch as to what is going on and any changes to routes etc..

Write an article for the newsletter before, during and after the wrap-up meeting with the statistics, such as total riders, amount raised, any changes to be made for the next year to improve any problem areas.. You do not have to have an article the months the event is at rest waiting for next year.

Bonnie KD6OFQ

FACT OF THE WEEK:::

The country's first stop sign popped up in 1915 in Detroit, MI per the "American Pickers" The History Channel

Upgrade on call sign:

Chris Nightingale was KI6WHI now has her extra AF6ZC

She could not let her Hubby Kile (now AF6YK) get too far ahead of her. Congratulations Chris..

I admire all the ladies who get their call-signs....

Who knew the average pencil can draw a line that's 35 miles long, or write 45,000 English words....

Labor Day is the fourth most dangerous driving holiday. Safe travel tips from AAA: Avoid driving thru cities at peak traffic times; build frequent rest stops into your schedule to safeguard against fatigue, and carry a map or printout of your route, even if you have GPS. (Go to AAA.com for a free TripTik Travel Planner that provides directions, construction details and restaurant information.) Also think twice before letting a teen take the wheel-Labor Day roads can tax even the seasoned drivers...

FIELD DAY 6/26/2010

ORANGE COUNTY FAIR

This happened a few months ago, but to catch up, let me share with you some summer fun a number of the MARC members were able to attend. This was not a charity event, but we still had a lot of fun. I understand that Bill Rose - KA6HMS made some initial contacts with Gordon West and I appreciate his getting this information out to us. Friday June 26th, after work, I was able to ride over to Centennial Park in Santa Ana to check out the Field Day that was being set up for the weekend. When I arrived, I spoke to several HAM enthusiasts. including Gordon West, asking if he was still interested in some of us MARC members coming by on Saturday. Boy was he. Of course he knew of MARC and had several occasions to talk with Ray and several other members of MARC. He was very enthusiastic about our being able to come by to show the people there what we do and how our bikes are set up.

On Saturday 27th, after our regular activities at HH and Woody's, about 10 MARC members rode over to Centennial Park. I had their call in frequency programmed into my radio from the day before so, I was able to lead the MARC group riding in, as well as speak to their NET Control. It was easy to find once near the park. They had antennas all over the place. They were strung from flag masts to flag masts, from building to building and many on their own solo masts. I counted over 12 antennas just on one RV. Gordon had several of his HAM dedicated vehicles there too. They were very impressive just by themselves. The stations at the park were labeled by the bands they were operating. So as you walked up to a station, you knew what they were set up for. Everything was set up very well for this event and the people there were very friendly and eager to show off their rigs.

As we pulled in, we were directed to park right in the middle of the place. We were warmly greeted by Gordon West and around 50 other HAM enthusiasts who were working the airwaves. As MARC members rode in single file and parked, it seemed that everything there stopped. We really got everyone's attention. Just about everyone not working his or her radios at that moment came over to say hi. they asked lots of questions about how we use our motorcycles and radios on charity events. This seemed to be a new concept to many, who had not seen HAM radios mounted on motorcycles. We were also able to share with them how our NET Control use APRS running on our motors to manage the positioning of our motors during the charity events we support. After a little over an hour of visiting, we started to say our good byes. We made new friends and had a great day. Gordon continued to thank us for coming by and sharing what MARC is all about to the participants of their event.

I was able to get a number of good pictures. If you have not had the chance to see the pictures taken, you can enjoy them here:

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/95wingrider/sets/72157624369282130/> Kevin KI6SUJ

We did not make it over to the Orange County Fair this year. We have worked the Ham Radio Booth & the American Red Cross Booth a few years back.

This year the Orange County Council of Amateur Radio Organization (OCCARO) won 1st place having the most interest from the public over all the booths. This is their 25th year out of 30 years.

So Ham radio still has a lot of interest. It is amazing that a lot of Hams do not know of the booth being at the Orange County Fair.

Sorry everyone, but I will not be able to do 3 Flags Classic reports this year. I am typing on my Laptop but it is nearly impossible to read anything on the screen because all the letters in every word are double and after about 10 minutes of looking at this screen I thought I was going blind. Nothing we tried seems to cure it. I guess all of that weight on top of it in the big box on the back of Casper was too much weight on it.

We did make it about 1200 miles Tuesday (yesterday) to Bozeman MT at about 5pm Pacific time. Today we left Bozeman in a light rain at 5:30am and hit many small shows all day. It never got warmer than 64 all day. We came only about 650 miles today and got here to the Ramada Inn in Bozeman at about 4pm. All times are Pacific times, but we are now in the Mountain standard time zone.

We thought we were getting here ahead of the crowd by getting here a day early, but when we pulled up to the Ramada Inn Regina we were met by at least a dozen bikers in front and many, many more when we went in to register. So much for planning ahead.

We also came across some very bad construction zones that were all dirt, but thank goodness it was dry at those spots. If we have to go back that way and it is raining Friday morning it is going to be hell. We are going to look for a way around it. The problem is that both roads that go South from Regina SK. both have long areas of construction, one with a 6 mile stretch.

Tomorrow we get to rest and sign in for the Friday morning 5am start of the 2010 SCMA 3 Flags Classic.

I hope that when you read this it is not as hard to read as it is for me to type.

Now I wish I had brought the Toshiba Net Book.

God Bless one and all.

73 Ray KD6FHN

From Regina SK, Canada

Tart cherries contain a natural plant compound that minimizes the inflammation that contributes to premature aging, reveals a University of Michigan study. the study -proven dose is 1 1/2 cups of cherries a day...

SUMMER ON THE WAY OUT

August and my vacation goals are finished. Nothing like easing back to work after a long break away! I had only worked 3 days in July, so arrived on Monday the 2nd and that that the best way is to ease back into things...

10am we had a transformer blow, lights in the Gym and kitchen blacked out. Kitchen help sent someone to find me, I was running to shut down the A/C units that use 3 phase! Called the power company and all those boring details... why am I mentioning this stuff to the likes of yews? Good question! I am getting to the answer too...

See in some dusted shelf or drawer you may have stored some old MARC newsletters... OH I know most get thrown when the owner or subscriber is away from his chair... However there are a few around maybe that remember a story I told of taking a moving truck of furniture to Seattle back in September of 99... Furniture and one Green BMW k100 RT. After we unloaded that truck I took the bike home while the other guy stayed and played tourist before hopping a plane and going home the err "natural way".

Anyways Ladd had put in for a transfer to come back to Minnesota. We had been waiting for the answer as Ladd had called me about it last May.

"Tim, There is an opening at the Minneapolis center for Qwest, What do I do?"

"Ladd... IF God doesn't want you to come back to your home state then HE will close this door of opportunity. You have to apply and LET GOD decide!"

August 8th I get a phone call. "Tim I can accept the position, do you want me to come back?"

"Praise the LORD" I replied, "OF course your coming! Have you made any close friend these 11 years? Did you find a church that is to your liking?"

"No, I haven't! Ladd continued, "Alright I will be calling you on what dates for the move. Do you have to ride that motorcycle out here, can you take a plane?"

"WE will talk!"

Hmmm... No bike then maybe I can find some other friend to go out and drive a Penske! Sent off emails to a few people and it was decided that there will be 2 trucks coming. First one before Labor Day weekend. Then the larger move sometime later in September.

During all this time I had a few days where I was working 12 hours per day. Comp time to some. My vacations are spent except 1 precious week... Cage drive to South Carolina, taking Karen down to see her

sister Connie. And yet the idea of going to Seattle and how was that to fit with the family trip.

Last Thursday I get another phone call from Ladd, "Can you be out here on the 20th of September?" Ladd continues, "I Know you are taking your bride the last Tuesday of the month but can you come that day?"

"Sounds like a plan!" I exclaimed

"Are you coming by plane or train?" Ladd asks...

I had been waiting for that... why be normal..

"By motorcycle!" I said... "Will start out on the 18th and be there hopefully by Sunday night"

"All Right we will be waiting... that is me and the cat!" Ladd laughed, "Yep the puzzle pieces are coming together.. Qwest says I will start work either on the 3rd or 10th of October."

So getting back to all these extra hours... the only real perk I get when working in a church ministry is those extra hours that I use as vacation. Figure I will have enough in for a complete 40 hour week... plus the real vacation... eh?

This month I purchased 2 tires and one used swing arm. Final Drive is connected in such a way on the swing arm. Due to the single sided swing arm and bolting the rear wheel like a car... Not sure how Gold Wings do it, however there is 2 attachments to the swing arm. Inside bolt threads had damage on them when I did some spline lubrication 2 years ago. Finally decided to find a used swing arm and replaced the original. What a difference. Then the front tire had bad cupping so that was replaced as well as the rear Metzler marathon that looked worn.

This is the first year in that I have replaced 1 set of tires with this new pair. This time its Avon and we will see how long they last.

Today I decided to start wearing out those tires. Had a "CARE" package in the saddle bag. I had called Dan who is going to Northwestern College which is in Orange City Iowa. "Are you home Sunday?" "Well yaah?"

"I am coming down to bug you!" I laughed

"OK when?" Dan sounded excited.

"I will try to be there by 10am" I replied

"Cool"

High winds all the way down kept me holding on to those handlebars. Did give the young man the "Care package". He was pleased. Kept thanking me for coming. Stayed around about 4 hours.

Summer is fleeting

Tim Lindstrom 73 ABØTS

QUICK TIPS: Should You Ride A Motorcycle?

Riding a motorcycle is a unique experience. Riding is fun and invigorating, yet the skills needed for safe riding, combined with the lack of car-like crash protection on a motorcycle, can cast doubts on whether a person should choose to ride a motorcycle. Some potential riders lack the ability to execute skilled and timely actions in a complex traffic environment; others lack keen judgment or don't have a firm grasp of the concept of risk management.

MSF believes that motorcycling isn't for everyone. If you're considering becoming a rider, however, here are some questions for you to use as a self-assessment of the physical capabilities and mental attitude required to safely navigate a motorcycle on the street:

1. Are you a higher risk-taker than others you know? If you tend to need a thrill while driving a car and have aggressive or risky tendencies (following too closely, turning without signaling, talking on a cell phone, getting angry at other drivers, etc.), motorcycling may not be for you. While motorcycling improves the overall quality of life for many, for some it can lead to disaster. Thinking that accidents only happen to others is an attitude that will get you in trouble.
2. Can you ride a bicycle? This is a prerequisite for enrolling in our *Basic RiderCourse* and generally a good gauge of your ability to maneuver a motorcycle. Bicycling, like motorcycling, is a physical activity that involves balance and coordination. And speaking of coordination ...
3. Can you drive a stick-shift car? This is *not* a requirement, but it may make learning to ride easier because almost all motorcycles have manual transmissions. If you can't get the hang of shifting gears but still want to enjoy a powered two-wheeler, you might want to start out on a motor scooter. Motor scooters generally have automatic transmissions and come in many sizes, from simpler models with an engine size of 50 cubic centimeters (cc) to powerful 650cc models.
4. Do you see well? Riding a motorcycle requires special perceptual skills that rely on good vision. Have you had an eye examination recently? Do you tend to see things that are far away later than other people you know? The ability to see well ahead is important for safe riding.
5. Are you mechanically inclined? Today's motorcycles are very reliable machines, but with all the bolts, nuts, and mechanisms out in the open, and only two tires connecting you to the pavement, you need to be able to inspect your equipment and make the occasional minor adjustment. You don't

need to be a master mechanic, but it helps to know your way around a tire pressure gauge and a wrench. Most everything a rider needs to know is in the motorcycle owner's manual, and if you've never read your car owner's manual, that could be a sign that motorcycling is not for you.

6. Are you safety-minded? If you routinely find yourself bandaged up after doing simple do-it-yourself projects around the house, or think it's acceptable to operate a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol, the unique challenges of motorcycle riding may not be compatible with your decision-making. Riders can control their situation only if safety is a high priority. Millions of motorcyclists ride millions of miles without incident, and they likely take safety seriously.

7. Do you respect machinery and other equipment that has risk? For example, when using a lawn mower or chainsaw, do you maintain it properly and wear eye/ear/hand protection when needed? If you're not serious about safety in connection with simple machinery and equipment whose improper use can lead to serious injury, you may not respect motorcycling enough to follow safety precautions. Successful riders know that safety isn't a matter of luck, but a matter of doing the right things to minimize risk.

8. Can you focus? Inattention is a major cause of crashes. Safe motorcycling requires dedicated attention to the immediate task and a keen awareness of everything going on 360 degrees around you. Rush-hour traffic aboard a motorcycle is not the place to be daydreaming. For instance, if you find yourself overusing your brakes because you were caught off-guard, or are often surprised by a passing car or truck you didn't see, your situational awareness could be less than adequate.

9. Can you handle your car in an emergency? Drivers don't often have the need to brake hard or swerve to miss a crash, but it's important to have the skills to be able to do so when needed. On a motorcycle, having these types of skills is essential because other highway users tend not to see motorcyclists in traffic, especially around intersections.

10. Are you willing to invest some time in learning to ride the right way *before* hopping on a bike? Your best "first ride" is a *Basic RiderCourse* where you can familiarize yourself with the safe operation of a motorcycle. You can even take the course as an experiment, to help you better understand the dynamics of good riding and to determine if motorcycling is right for you.

Motorcycle Safety Foundation
www.msf-usa.org

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, 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

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

Price: \$19.00 Kit: \$9.00 Special lengths up to 72" -- no extra charge

IBM PC or compatible to Kenwood TH-D7A

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**.

Price: \$19.00 Kit: \$9.00 Special lengths up to 72" -- no extra charge

Garmin 4-pin "round" plug 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 right-angle "Garmin original-style" (4-pin) **round** connector plug on the other end. Connects a "classic" Garmin GPS with the "original" 4-pin round connector to a TH-D7A, M-D700A or TM-D710A. This cable does **not** provide power to the GPS...!

Price: \$24.00 Kit: \$14.00 Special lengths up to 72" -- no extra charge

Garmin "eTrex-type" plug 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 Garmin "eTrex-style" **flat** connector on the other end. Connects a Garmin GPS with the "eTrex-type" connector to a TH-D7A, M-D700A or TM-D710A. This cable does **not** provide power to the GPS...!

Price: \$24.00 Kit: \$14.00 Special lengths up to 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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**MARC Equipment controller** is Ray Davis KD6FHN  
as we have most of the set-up equipment at  
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**"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..

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**Your name & call on shirts** \$9.50  
**Embroidered jacket (includes name & Call)**  
**Complete** \$62.50  
**Splitting Sweat shirt with name, call sign,**  
**pockets & Zipper** \$45  
**Name/Call on Motorcycle windshield cover** \$35  
**"MARC" Belt Buckles** \$25

**SEPTEMBER**

"The breezes taste of apple peel.  
The air is full of smells to feel-  
Ripe fruit, old footballs, burning brush,  
New books, erasers, chalk, and such.  
The bee, his hive, well-honeyed hum,  
And Mother cuts Chrysanthemums.  
Like plates washed clean  
With suds, the days are polished with  
A morning haze." - **John Updike**

**Bring Your Smile to Preschool**

Bring your smiles everyone.  
Hope on down for some preschool fun.  
Singing, dancing, playing too; lots of fun for me and you.  
Running and jumping in the sun, exercise is so much fun.  
Bring your smiles everyone, hop on down for some  
preschool fun. "Unknown"

**Twass the night before school started,**

When all through the town,  
The parents were cheering.  
It was a riotous sound!  
By eight, kids were washed  
And tucked into bed...  
When memories of homework...filled them with dread!  
New pencils, new folders, new notebooks, too!  
New teachers, new friends...their anxiety grew!  
The parents just giggled when they learned of this fright  
And shouted upstairs-...

**GO TO BED-IT'S A SCHOOL NIGHT!  
(Unknown)**

School,  
Effort, and  
Play.  
Trying your best  
Each hour of the day,  
Making new friends,  
Being good as you can  
Exciting discoveries,  
Reading books with a friend."  
- **Boni Fulgham**

**MINI COOPER SHOWN WITH  
CP-5M UNIVERSAL LIP MOUNT  
ON THE DOOR EDGE.**

All the mounts attach to van doors, truck side doors, SUV doors, etc... and require no holes. Includes 16' 6" deluxe cable assy w/18" mini RG-1888AU type coax for weather seal entry.

Choose a mount depending on the antenna size and vehicle mounting location space.



**For Small Antennas & Limited Space  
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**Maldol EM-5M** SO-239 / PL-259  
Footprint: 1.1"x .75"  
Max Antenna: 40"

**For Medium Size Antennas  
MODEL / ANT CONN / COAX CONN**

**COMET CP-5M** SO-239 / PL-259  
**COMET CP-5NMO** NMO / PL-259  
Footprint: 3.4" x 1.25"  
Max Antenna: 60"

**For Tall or Multi-band HF Antennas  
MODEL / ANT CONN / COAX CONN**

**COMET HD-5M** SO-239 / PL-259  
**COMET HD-5 3/8-24 3/8-24** PL-259  
Footprint: 3.75" x 1.1"  
Max antenna: 80"

**Life is a JOURNEY.  
Enjoy the ride!**

**COMET BNC-24 DUAL-BAND 2M/70CM HT ANTENNA** RX range: 100-1200MHz  
• Wavelength: 2M 1/4 wave • 440MHz 1/2 wave • Length: 17" • Conn: BNC Super flexible featherweight whip

**COMET SMA-24 DUAL-BAND 2M/70CM HT ANTENNA** RX range: 100-1200MHz  
• Wavelength: 2M 1/4 wave • 440MHz 1/2 wave • Length: 17" • Conn: SMA Super flexible featherweight whip

**COMET SMA-503 DUAL-BAND 2M/70CM HT ANTENNA** RX range: 100-1200MHz  
• Length: 8.75" • Conn: SMA

**Maldol MH-209 (BNC Conn) MH-209SMA (SMA Conn) 2M/70CM DUAL-BAND HT ANTENNAS**  
3" length, soft rubber cover. Good performance in a small package!

**COMET NEW! CSB750A DUAL-BAND 2M/440MHZ W/FOLD-OVER**  
Wavelength: 2M 1/2 wave, 70cm 5/8 wave x 2 • VSWR: 1.5:1 or less • Length: 42" • Conn: PL-259 • Max Pwr: 150W

**COMET NEW! CSB770A DUAL-BAND 2M/440MHZ W/FOLD-OVER**  
Wavelength: 2M 5/8 wave center load, 70cm 5/8 wave x 2 center load • VSWR: 1.5:1 or less • Length: 51" • Conn: PL-259 • Max Pwr: 150W

**COMET NEW! CSB790A DUAL-BAND 2M/440MHZ W/FOLD-OVER**  
Wavelength: 2M 7/8 wave center load, 70cm 5/8 wave x 3 center load • VSWR: 1.5:1 or less • Length: 62" • Conn: PL-259 • Max Pwr: 150W

**Maldol AX-50 DUAL-BAND 2M/440MHZ**  
Wavelength: 2M 1/4 wave • 70cm 9/8 wave • Length: 21" • Conn: PL-259 • Max Power: 60W

**Maldol AX-75 DUAL-BAND 2M/440MHZ W/FOLD-OVER**  
Wavelength: 2M 1/2 wave center load • 70cm 5/8 wave x 2 • Length: 30" • Conn: PL-259 • Max Power: 60W

**Maldol AX-95 DUAL-BAND 2M/440MHZ W/FOLD-OVER**  
Wavelength: 2M 1/2 wave • 70cm 5/8 wave x 2 • Length: 38" • Conn: PL-259 • Max Power: 60W

**COMET B-10 / B-10NMO DUAL-BAND 2M/440MHZ**  
Wavelength: 146MHz 1/4 wave • 446MHz 1/2 wave • Length: 12"  
• Conn: B-10 PL-259, B-10NMO - NMO style • Max Pwr: 50W

**COMET SBB-2 / SBB-2NMO DUAL-BAND 2M/440MHZ**  
Wavelength: 146MHz 1/4 wave • 446MHz 5/8 wave center load • VSWR: 1.5:1 or less • Length: 18"  
• Conn: SBB-2 PL-259 • SBB-2NMO NMO style • Max Pwr: 60W

**Maldol EX-107RB / EX-107RBNMO DUAL-BAND 2M/440MHZ**  
Wavelength: 146MHz 1/2 wave • 446MHz 5/8 wave x 2 • VSWR: 1.5:1 or less • Length: 25"  
• Conn: EX-107RB PL-259 • EX-107RBNMO NMO style • Max Pwr: 100W

**COMET SBB-5 / SBB-5NMO DUAL-BAND 2M/440MHZ W/FOLD-OVER**  
Wavelength: 146MHz 1/2 wave • 446MHz 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 W/FOLD-OVER**  
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• Conn: SBB-7 PL-259, SBB-7NMO - NMO style • Max Pwr: 70W

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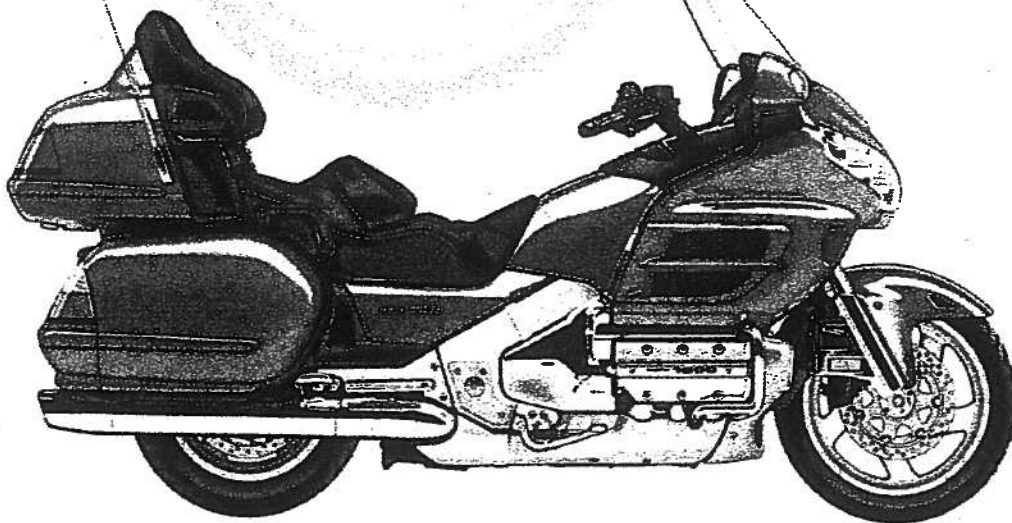


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31- HALLOWEEN  
31- TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK
- NOV 2-ELECTION DAY (DON'T FORGET TO VOTE)  
3,10,17,24- "MARC" NET ON THE ALERT SYSTEM 446.900 PL 110.9  
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11- VETERANS DAY  
13- "MARC" BREAKFAST MEETING HOMETOWN BUFFET IN AT 7 AM SERVE AT 7:30AM  
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